

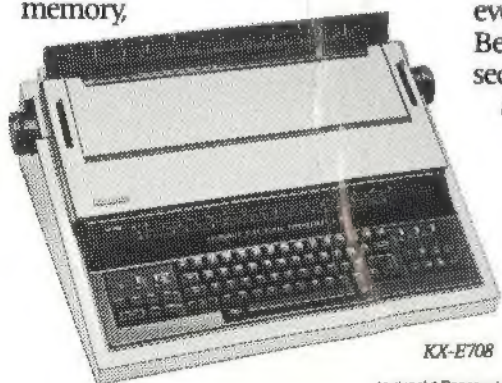
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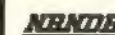
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COVER STORY

At the start of the 1987 West End National Soccer League season, 31 players had passed the golden milestone of figuring in 200 NSL matches.

Joe Watson leads the exclusive club with 258 appearances but neither he nor second placed John O'Shea will add to their total as they have both moved to new fields to coach and play in the NSW State League.

Of the 31 endurance men, as many as 19 will add to their tallies this year but for most it may well be the farewell season in the NSL.

Five players however are still 28 or younger and are the ones with the best possibility of aiming for the magic 300 appearance mark.

The youngest "veteran" is Sydney Olympic captain Peter Raskopoulos at 25 and in this edition we pay tribute to him and two other quiet achievers in Theo Selemidis, 27, of Heidelberg and Sergio Melta, 28, of Adelaide City.

The feature on their careers and aspirations starts overleaf.





Zoran Ilioski, Preston Makedonia.

TRIO CHASES WATSON

Thirty one players made it into the 200 club of the West End National Soccer League by the end of the 1986 season.

The exclusive gathering is made up of players who have made 200 appearances or over in NSL league games since the National League started in 1977.

Sydney City stalwart Joe Watson averaged 25 games a season over his 10 year career with the one club and took over the leadership at the end of 1986 from previous leader John O'Shea who totted up his 255 appearances in stints with St George, Canberra and then back to St George.

Watson collected four championship medals while making his 258 appearances for Sydney City.

Both Watson and John O'Shea have now moved on and are likely to be overtaken halfway through the season as the marathon continues for the first ever player to reach the 300 appearance mark.

Fourth placed Zoran Ilioski (on 246 appearances) of Preston Makedonia, Tony

Henderson of Marconi and Buggy Nyskohus of Adelaide City (both on 244 apps) are the most likely candidates to become the new leaders as the race to break the 270 barrier goes on this season.

Nyskohus is the oldest of the 31 players at 36. He is a year older than Watson but shows no signs — or desire — to quit as yet.

Of the 31 players in the 200 club, 19 of them are still active and could add to their totals this coming season.

The youngest "veterans" for want of a better word are Ilioski and Sergio Melta (28), Peter Tredinnick and Theo Selemidis (27) and Peter Raskopoulos (25).

Those five must be the candidates with the strongest chances of reaching the 300 milestone.

On the following pages we look at three of them — Raskopoulos, Selemidis and Melta.

THE N.S.L. 200 CLUB

Games	Goals	
258	(27)	WATSON Joe Sydney City: 252 appearances/6 sub (27 goals)
255	(19)	O'SHEA John St George: 197/2(12). Canberra: 56(7).
247	(109)	COLE Gary Heidelberg: 175/2(88). Preston Makedonia: 65/5(21).
246	(24)	ILIOSKI Zoran Footscray: 141/8(16). Preston Makedonia: 90/7(8).
244	(21)	HENDERSON Tony Canberra: 51(5). Marconi: 184/9(16).
244	(4)	NYSKOHUS Buggy Adelaide City: 243/1(4).
243	(60)	CAMPBELL Jim Heidelberg: 177/5(52). Melbourne Croatia: 54/7(8).
239	(36)	HONEYMAN Graham West Adelaide: 234/5(36).
229	(11)	NIVEN Alan Brisbane Lions: 226/3(11).
226	(4)	CANT Jim Marconi: 12/2. Canberra: 84/2(1). Sydney City: 116/10(3).
226	(95)	JANKOVICS Mark St George: 24(4). Marconi: 183/19(95).
225	(59)	BARNES Murray Sydney City: 217/8(59).
225	(11)	O'CONNOR Steve Sydney City: 221/4(11).
224	(14)	GAFFNEY Larry Brisbane City: 116/7(12). Wollongong: 94/7(2).
221	(114)	KOSMINA John West Adelaide: 67(24). Adelaide City: 4. Sydney City: 150(90).
220	(89)	O'CONNOR Phil St George: 69/2(27). Leichhardt Apia: 52(17). Wollongong: 57(26). Blacktown: 38/2(16).
219	(32)	MELTA Sergio Adelaide City: 206/13(32).
217	(43)	LUJIC Zdravko Footscray: 213/4(43).
215	(20)	RASKOPOULOS Peter Sydney Olympic: 182/4(19). Marconi: 28/1(1).
215	(18)	SELEMIDIS Theo Heidelberg: 203/12(18).
212	(8)	RUSSELL Bobby Adelaide City: 103/1(6). South Melbourne: 108(2).
210	(10)	PIMBLETT Frank Brisbane City: 206/4(10).
208	(12)	MASON Craig Newcastle Rosebud: 131/10(11). Marconi: 67(1).
206	(15)	RATCLIFFE David Brisbane City: 79/2(5). St George: 125(10).
206	(19)	TREDINNICK Peter Newcastle: 44/16(2). Wollongong: 52(6). Leichhardt Apia: 58/1(7). Marconi: 47(4).

Key: First Line: first figure denotes total number of games played, number of goals scored in brackets. Second Line: breakdown per club of appearances (first figure), substitute appearances (figure behind the stroke) and goals (in brackets).



Joe Watson.

COUNT ME OUT AS A COACH — MELTA

By "The Advertiser"
soccer writer Allan Crisp

Adelaide City vice-captain Sergio Melta holds his skipper Buggy Nyskohus in high esteem, but he has no ambition to emulate Nyskohus's soccer longevity.

And neither does Melta cast envious eyes in the direction of the Adelaide City captaincy.

Melta also is adamant that he will never coach when his playing days end.

On the surface, these facts appear to indicate a man lacking in ambition, but that assessment is way off the truth.

For Melta is loyal to his coach, Zoran Matic and to his captain and he wants to be part of another championship-winning team this year.

His other burning desire is to establish his position in the Soccerroo squad and to secure a place in the national team starting line-up.

"I'll keep playing as long as I continue to enjoy it, but I won't be another Buggy," Melta said.

"I reckon I'll quit when I reach my early 30's. It's been a long haul, but it's been very enjoyable."

Melta, who started his career with the Camden-based Birkalla Club, remembers well his national league debut game with Adelaide City in 1977.

"It was an exciting time to kick-off the new Philips League with a home game against Brisbane Lions and in front of a big crowd, but unfortunately it was a mundane, scoreless draw."

"The highlights of my career were, of course, last year's grand final win over Sydney Olympic and our Philips Cup final win over St George in 1979."

"And on a personal note, being named NSL Player of the Year in 1984 was a great thrill," Melta said.

Melta won the award as a midfielder, but he has occupied every position on the field with Adelaide City except goalkeeper.

"I'm just waiting for Willie (McNally) to get injured so I can claim a record," he said.

"I've played full back, sweeper, stopper, left wing, right wing, centre midfield, right midfield and left midfield."

Melta believes the national league has undergone changes in style since it first

oegan and that the skill factor prevalent in 1977 is on the way back.

"When it first started there was plenty of skill involved, then we went through a period of kick and run, but now we are reverting to the skill factor."

"I have been lucky with the coaches at the club because I've learnt something from them all."

"Edmund Kreft was good for teaching skills, Rale Rasic was a good organiser and fitness man, while Zoran Matic emphasises entertaining team play."

"But once I stop playing I won't coach. I've seen what coaches I've been under have to contend with and I don't want that," Melta said.

As for the captaincy at Adelaide City? "I have no aspirations to be captain. But if Buggy was injured, I'd accept the responsibility."

"As it is, I'm happy to be playing and happy to be in the team," Melta said.

Happiness, for thousands of Adelaide City fans is seeing Sergio Melta command the midfield with his silky skills and his accurate passing and his determined tackling.

Long may he continue!

Below: Sergio Melta changes direction for Adelaide City and makes heads turn with his unique flowing hairstyle. (pic Joe Jenko)



SERGIO MELTA N.S.L. Career Details Adelaide City

1977: 20 apps. + 2 sub. 1 goal
1978: 6 apps. + 2 sub. 1 goal
1979: 4 apps. + 3 sub.
1980: 21 apps. + 3 sub. 2 goals
1981: 26 apps. + 3 sub. 5 goals
1982: 29 apps. 5 goals
1983: 29 apps. 4 goals
1984: 27 apps. 5 goals
1985: 17 apps. 2 goals
1986: 27 apps. 8 goals

A MEDAL OUT OF HOLY WATER

By Peter Desira
soccer writer for
The Sun, Melbourne

Theo Selemidis has lost count of the number of times he has played in league and cup finals in an 11 year career at Heidelberg.

But from them all, he has only got two winners' medals to show for his endeavour — and he has a slight suspicion there was some divine help when he broke a long drought to gain the second one.

"Just off hand, I know we have played in five finals of the pre-season night series, three times in the NSL Cup final, a Southern Division grand final, and the Top Four Series in 1980," Selemidis said.

"After ending up on the losing side of the final so many times, it got to the stage where the club brought a priest in before the match and he went round the dressing room blessing every one of us.

"I don't know if it was coincidence but whatever it was, it did the trick and I have a winner's medal from that final to show for it."

The final in question was the Buffalo Cup in 1985 when Heidelberg not only won — it trounced Melbourne Croatia 5-1.

It could well be that should Heidelberg reach a final this year, Selemidis will use his captain's influence to get Heidelberg to ask for another divine sprinkling.

At the start of the 1987 NSL campaign, Theo Selemidis had played 215 times in league matches — all for the club he has now captained for four seasons.

Heidelberg recognised the loyalty at the end of the 1986 season by presenting him with an award for his services to the club.

"And they topped it off by also naming me the club's player of the year — the first time it has happened throughout all the years I have been there," Selemidis says with some pride.

The first of those 215 appearances came in the second game of the inaugural NSL season in 1977 — and turned out to be his only senior outing for that season.

"I got a run for 20 minutes coming on as substitute for Jim Campbell," is the way Selemidis remembers it.

The match was against the arch enemy South Melbourne and ended in a 1-1 draw.

The games against South Melbourne are of special significance to Selemidis

and the victories against them will always be the ones he treasures most.

SELEMIDIS continued

"They are victories to savour. We were all ahead in direct encounters with them for a long time but they caught up with us in recent seasons.

"We might have edged back in front after beating them twice last season," Selemidis says with a satisfied smile.

BEST EVER

Apart from the annual encounters with the Greek backed rivals, 1980 still stands out as Selemidis' best ever season.

"That season started with me being picked for the Australia B team which went to Noumea and won a tournament there against a number of teams which included the NZ national side.

"It was also the first season I established myself as a regular after going through three seasons of being in and out of the side.

"We ended up as the runners-up in the league and the Cup and finally made it to the winners' list by thrashing Sydney City 4-0 in the Top Four Series.

"Also I was picked to play for Australia for the first time, figuring in matches against England in the Centenary match and Northern Ireland. On the strength of that I was also included in the squad for the European tour and actually scored in the game against Greece in Athens.

"So it will always be a season that will be hard to top."



Theo Selemidis shields the ball as Footscray's Alex Radivojevic moves in to challenge in Carmelo Bazzano's picture on the right. And below left (Michael Silver picture) Selemidis tussles with former Heidelberg teammate Charlie Yankos, now with Apia Leichhardt.



If 1980 stands out, 1986 does not come far behind because Selemidis benefitted from a positional switch from midfield to sweeper and his personal form improved so much that he came back in the reckoning for the Socceroo squad.

John Margaritis, Frank Arok's assistant in Melbourne, was among those impressed and has been pushing the national coach to have another look at Selemidis — and that was before Margaritis took over as coach at Heidelberg in March.

Selemidis is philosophical about his chances of a recall.

"If I am going to get a chance, it has to be this year. I'm talking from my age's point of view. I feel that at 27 you have to make your mark or forget about playing for the national team.

"I've got the eagerness — I'm just hoping to be given the chance to perform and prove it.

FRUSTRATING

While the switch to sweeper has helped improve his chances, Selemidis admits it is at times frustrating to be playing behind the backline.

"I originally thought I'd be playing at sweeper for a couple of weeks and I did not envisage it becoming my permanent position.

"If we're on top and winning it is satisfying, but when we are behind, I feel I am wasting my time at the back and I'm always itching to be more involved in the game and be in a position to try to change it.

"From that point of view, I still prefer playing in midfield where I feel I could contribute more.

"I have no intentions however of telling John Margaritis where to play me, I'll let him decide."

Selemidis will be having his second stint under Margaritis.

"In the 11 years of the NSL at Heidelberg, I have practically played under a full team of coaches.

"They were Jim Adam, Margaritis, Tony Boggi, Manny Poulakakis, Len McKendry, the joint effort by Jim Tansey and Gary Cole, another duo in Jimmy Rooney and Pat Bannon, Ken Morton, Brian Garvey and earlier this year Roy MacLaren.

"Maybe we can get them together to play in a charity game one day."

As for the future, Selemidis would prefer to look ahead only as far as this season.

AIMS

"My aim has to be to win a major honour with the club this year.

"We haven't been considered among the favourites for the league mainly because there have been other clubs splashing out big money on players.

"But an impressive list of buys doesn't always guarantee success, and Adelaide City proved last year that a settled team is a better formula for the championship.

"We have still got a lot of good players and I'm sure we will surprise a few people."

What about being one of the select few who have played 200 NSL games? And can he reach the magic 300 mark?

"I'd like to think I will go on playing while it is physically possible and while I'm still enjoying it.

"Those two ingredients are still there now.

"As for reaching the 300 mark, it would be something nice to look back on once I've finished playing.

"Having the name there as having played so many games is not as important however as being remembered as a decent player who gave some decent performances and scored the odd goal."

THEO SELEMIDIS

Born: 27 October 1959 in Melbourne
NSL debut: South Melbourne 1 Fitzroy
Utd 1. 9 April 1977.

NSL career details
Heidelberg (club changed its name from Fitzroy in 1979)

1977: - apps. 1 sub.
1978: 10 apps. + 3 sub.
1979: 4 apps. + 6 sub. 1 goal
1980: 26 apps. 1 goal
1981: 30 apps. 1 goal
1982: 28 apps. 2 goals
1983: 29 apps. + 1 sub. 2 goals
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EARLY RETIREMENT PLAN FOR RASKOPOULOS!

By RAY GATT of the Sydney Morning Herald

The voice on the other end of the telephone cried out with laughter. "Honestly, I'm only 25, but I guess people would have it in their heads that I'm much older."

From that remark it is not difficult to understand the problems Peter Raskopoulos, Sydney Olympic's gifted Soccerroo midfielder, has had convincing the average Soccer fan that he is still on the right side of 30.

After all, many of those fans have probably watched with interest the development of Rasko's career since he began playing as a 15-year-old schoolboy in the first season of the national league.

Having started so young, it seems he has been around for ages. In a way, that is correct because 200 games in the tough grind of NSL football is a hefty part of one's life.

Raskopoulos, who has been capped 29 times for the Soccerroos and 20 times for the Young Soccerroos, is now well on the way to 300 League appearances, although there remains some doubt, according to him, that he will reach that magical figure.

"I have it in the back of my mind that I will give the game away in two or three years," he said during a break from his dry cleaning business.

"I want to finish on top," he continued. "I have seen some good players go on for too long. I don't want to end up like them or to finish in the State League or to be remembered for my last game."

"Anyway, it doesn't really matter how many games you play. As long as you have enjoyed your time in whatever you do then that should be enough fulfillment."

Therein lies the real intensity of the man who has, during his career, been variously described off the field as a joker, party boy, knockabout sort of bloke and avid punter.

Mind you, it has always been a different matter on the football field for the man they call "Randwick" because of his love for horse racing.

Raskopoulos's newspaper clippings file is filled with colourful descriptions proclaiming his undoubted ability.

Wonder boy, young Colossus, better than Craig Johnston . . . the list goes on and on.

Incredibly, Soccer nearly lost Raskopoulos.

While at school, he mixed his football codes, playing Soccer and Rugby League.

He represented his school as a centre in the AMCO Cup, a popular schoolboy Rugby League competition. There were suggestions that the famous St George club were interested in signing him.

It has been interesting, then, to watch his development as a Soccer player over the years. He is only too well aware of the changes in his game, changes he attributes to his short stay at Marconi in 1980 and to Young Soccerroo Coach Les Scheinflug.

Rasko always hits back hard when people suggest to him that the Marconi sojourn was not a particularly happy time for him.

"A lot of the Greeks wind me up about that, but they are under the wrong impression," he said. "I



"I have it in the back of my mind I will give the game away in three years."

thought I had a good year with Marconi. I missed only two or three games and finished third in the under 21 player-of-the-year contest and we won the Phillips Cup and finished third in the championship.

BLANCO

"I enjoyed my time there, especially working under Les. He taught me so much. When I went there I was more of a showy type of player. I didn't really know much about the game. He developed my game to a greater extent."

"It was only when Raul Blanco took over at Marconi that things went wrong as far as I was concerned. Raul and I did not see eye to eye and that's why I got out."

It came as no surprise when Raskopoulos returned early in the season of '81 to Olympic, where he first began his career. The club has always been home for him.

He remembered his first ever senior match for Olympic against Western Suburbs at the Sydney Sports Ground in 1977. Olympic lost 3-0.

"I do recall finding it very hard and tough. I had to play against the likes of Peter Wilson (the tough Soccerroo captain)."

He has seen some good players come and go during the course of the League.

Ever the diplomat, he did not rattle off names of players, although he said he had a lot of respect for Eddie Krncevic, Gary Byrne and Ivo Prskalo, "all three were class players."

"Nowadays, the League carries 30 or 40 top class players."

Of course, as Rasko has grown in confidence and experience the game has become a little easier.

But, he contends, the game has also become harder in some respects. He has noticed the changes over the last decade.

"It has improved," he said, "the style is different."

"The game has become quicker and harder physically. The tackling is much tougher."

A further development in his game has been the added responsibility of being captain at Olympic. He enjoys it.

"Being a captain can be easy most of the time," he said. "This is especially so when you play with a great bunch of players."

"When things are going well it (the captaincy) is easier."

DIFFICULT

Raskopoulos is not the type of person to be concerned with such things as memorable matches and highlights of his career. It was difficult, then, to try and pry something like that out of him.

"Sure, it is great to look back on things like winning Grand Finals with Olympic and winning NSW player-of-the-year awards, but usually it is your last game that people remember," he said matter-of-factly.

With Raskopoulos intent on calling an early end to his career, the question of life after football popped up.

"I would like to take up coaching," he said, "but probably not straight away. As soon as I give the game away I think I'll take a long break, I certainly would not want to be a player-coach."

But, all that is two or three years into the future. The present is all that matters for Rasko.

"I was looking forward to this season, but I have been down in the dumps a little in recent weeks because of a back injury," he said.

"Hopefully, I'll get over it pretty



Raskopoulos pulls away from Sydney Croatia's Ante Rumora.

quickly because I don't like being unable to compete on even terms with other players."

With a heavy program of international appearances ahead for the Soccerroos, Raskopoulos, who last season finally established himself as a permanent member of the squad, wants so much to set back into peak fitness.

Certainly Sydney Olympic and the Soccerroos cannot afford to do without the mastery of this gifted midfield playmaker.

PETER RASKOPOULOS
Born: 22 February 1962.
NSL debut: 6 August 1977. Sydney Olympic 0, Western Suburbs 3.
NSL career record.
Sydney Olympic
1977: 7 apps. + 1 sub.
1978: 1 apps. + 2 sub.
1979: 25 apps. + 1 sub.
Marconi
1980: 23 apps. + 1 sub. 1 goal
1981: 5 apps.
Sydney Olympic
1981: 22 apps. 6 goals
1982: 28 apps. 1 goal
1983: 18 apps. 1 goal
1984: 33 apps. 3 goals
1985: 23 apps. 4 goals
1986: 25 apps. 4 goals

PEPE WANTS 2ND NSL SHOT



The two sides of Pepe Abraam. Left, Abraam lining up a shot on goal for Caulfield City against Oakleigh's John Vafiadis and below, Abraam the South Melbourne committeeman attends to the needs of South Melbourne's newcomer Danny Wright with South President Chris Christopher. Pictures by Carmelo Bazzano.

"I train Tuesdays and Thursdays at Caulfield and it generally means I arrive a little late for our committee meetings on Tuesday nights."

"Otherwise, Caulfield plays all its home games on Saturdays so there is no conflict there."

Abraam has been in excellent form early in the season and has contributed to Caulfield's rise among the favorites for the State League title.

Peter "Pepe" Abraam is breaking new ground at National Soccer League level by serving on the committee at South Melbourne Hellas while he is still playing at top level in Victoria.

Abraam was co-opted onto the South Melbourne committee at the start of the season and is part of the fresh blood being introduced to the club at administrative level by president Chris Christopher.

Most of his work on the committee is in the public relations area and he combines that with a thriving playing career at Caulfield City in the VSF State League.

Abraam joined Caulfield last year after coming up through the juniors at South Melbourne and giving service to the club at State League level in the years that South bought out Hakoah.

Abraam also made one NSL appearance for South Melbourne in 1984.

"I remember the game well," he says with a smile.

"Ken Murphy and Carl Halford both got injured and Con Kiakos and myself went on for about 20 minutes in a match we lost 1-3 to West Adelaide in Adelaide."

"I still followed South Melbourne after I left and was asked to stand for election in my discussions with committeemen about the club's problems."

"I've always wanted to stay connected with the club in some way and saw this as a chance to open up doors for other people especially youngsters at the club."

"The other two newcomers and myself are involved in promoting youth and we try to do some talent spotting ourselves."

"The other area I'm working on at South Melbourne is public relations where we are providing the members with a monthly magazine and overhauling the public announcing system at Middle Park."

"We are also introducing a scheme to get our coach and players to visit schools to talk to kids and give out free passes to our games."

Abraam admits that it is difficult combining playing for Caulfield with the committee duties at South Melbourne.

Pepe Abraam and Chris Christopher talk with Hellas' Danny Wright.



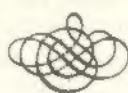
WINE, WOMEN, SONG — AND BEANS!

Footscray JUST coach Drago Sekularac spent two years as national coach of Guatemala and has retained several good contacts in the country — but he won't be looking for Central American players to strengthen his side — for good reason!

"The standard is good and there would be a lot of players who would become stars in Australia — but they would find the change in lifestyle unbearable and it would be hard to lure them to come to our part time set up after enjoying playing professionally over there," Sekularac said.

"The money is not as important to them — they can live on beans — but you can't drag them away from their warm climate, the beaches and the palm trees, the cheap discos and the women."

"I took the Guatemala national team for a training camp to Europe but they started complaining about the weather. After three days they sent a representative to tell me they wanted to go home."



YOUR LETTERS

Dear Sir,

Isn't it time the National League acted on the size and number of words allowed on jumpers to advertise club sponsors?

Some club jumpers — especially Preston Makedonia — were worse than walking billboards in 1986.

And clubs should pay the suffering supporters a bit more respect by making sure the shirt numbers are clearly visible. Adelaide City has been the worst culprit for years. Why not make it compulsory to have numbers on shorts as well?

And what about awarding the clubs that have won the championship a star to be worn on the club shirt next to the club's emblem the way it is done in Italy?

Tony Fontana
East Brunswick

Ian Gray, the hard-working Socceroo and Marconi midfielder, is back in training after a leg injury.

Gray had been in great form until he suffered a hairline fracture of his leg a month ago.

The injury could not have come at a worse time for "Iggy" who had been one of Marconi's best players during the pre-season. It is no coincidence that his absence coincided with the drop in form of Marconi.

It should not take him long to get back into the swing of things and his partnership with Tommy McCulloch could reap huge dividends for Marconi.

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Steve Georgiakis is a name Soccer fans will be hearing a lot of in the next few years.

A mere 16 years old, Georgiakis, who plays for Sydney Olympic's youth team, has received rave notices for his performances from people in the know.

He has obviously impressed those involved with the Australian under 16 team because he has been included in the train on squad for that team.

Olympic President Tom Doumanis declared at the start of the season that Georgiakis was ready to make an impact.



An expanded column will be allocated for readers' letters in our next issue.

We want your views on the game ranging from the ethnic names issue, promotion and relegation, the Socceroo squad and who should be in it.

Maybe you would like to comment on the Eddie Krncevic situation after reading his article on page 16.

Keep your letters short and to the point. We will print the best selection and award a season's pass to NSL games for the Star Letter.

BOOK REVIEW

When the World Cup began in 1930, 18 games were watched by a total of 343,500 people... In 1986, 52 games were watched by 2,285,498 people plus over 500 million TV viewers throughout the World.

THE FIFA WORLD CUP 1930-1986 written by John Robinson is the latest book tracing the progress of the competition from the early tournaments to the mammoth footballing spectacles of the present day.

Its contents include full country-by-country match record, every score and scorer, match reports and statistics.

The book is among the many that can be obtained from Soccer Bookshelf, a postal book service that operates out of England.

The book costs \$12.50 (including postage) and can be ordered through Mail Order Services, Temple Chambers, 4 Abbey Road, Grimsby DN32 0HF, England.

KAMASZ lined and suspended

David Kamasz, the former Newcastle player and brother of West End NSL executive director Stefan, started the 1987 season on a bad note getting sent off for an on-field scuffle with Perth Azurri's Paul Donnelly in West Australia's pre-season night series.

Kamasz, now playing for Floreat Athena, was suspended for two matches and fined \$25 by the West Australian Soccer Federation.

LIVELY LEMMY IS ON HIS WAY TO THE TOP

Adelaide City newcomer Lemmy Vatsilas is a young man in a hurry to hit the dizzy heights.

The 20-year-old has mapped out his priorities. First he wants a permanent berth in City's West End NSL side, then he wants to play for Australia before tackling the overseas club scene.

Vatsilas is prepared to work hard to achieve his heady ambitions but he has no inhibitions about his ability.

The cavalier striker first came under notice in 1985 when he won "The Advertiser" \$500 Man of the Match award in the PGH Federation Cup final starring for Cumberland against Campbelltown City.

He won further recognition last season by taking out "The News" Lansworth Finance \$1,000 prize as the best Rothmans League player of the season.

He grabbed that honor for his wizardry with Adelaide Croatia but he had to reject an offer to join the SA team in Penang because of a back injury.

While his future was uncertain he sent tapes and newspaper cuttings to his sister in Greece and was offered trials with several top sides.

But his plans changed when he left Croatia to train with Adelaide Hellas and the unexpected offer from Adelaide City gave him the chance to grace the national arena.

He was on the bench for City in the Qantas Pacific Champions Cup clash with Mount Wellington and came on for the final 17 minutes. Vatsilas made his run on debut in the West End NSL round one game against Heidelberg.

He is on his way and looking for greater glories.

Adelaide City trainer Brian Bannon is no relation to South Australian Premier John Bannon, but trainer Brian has a habit of mixing with premier teams.

Brian Bannon started his bucket and sponge activities with the Port Adelaide Aussie Rules Football Club in 1963.

The Magpies won the SA premiership that season and Brian continued with the club until 1977 when Port again triumphed in the final.

He left Port Adelaide when the constant travel from his Rostrevor home to the Albert Oval became a chore so he joined the Campbelltown City Soccer Club.

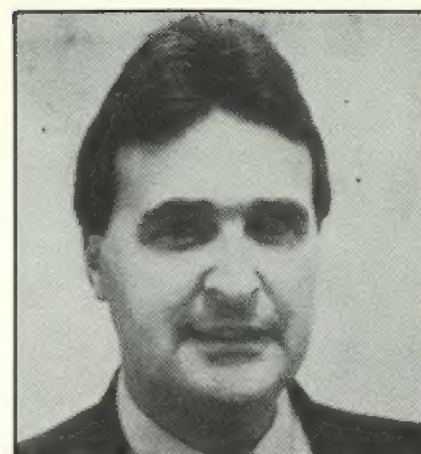
He stayed with the Red Devils until 1981 when former Campbelltown coach, then Adelaide City supreme, Bob D'Ottavio lured Brian to Kensington Gardens.

The switch to Adelaide City was the start of a successful association and while coaches have changed, Brian Bannon has remained.

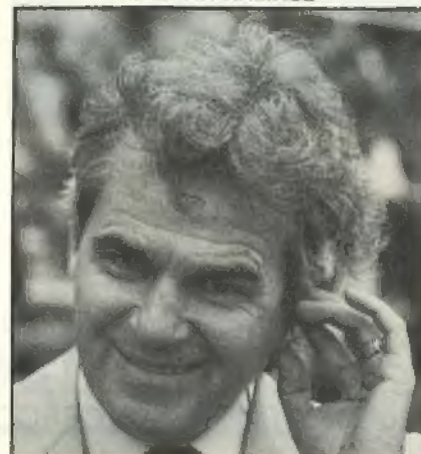
"I got immense satisfaction out of Adelaide City's NSL triumph last season," Bannon said.

"I heard various views expressed on why the team won the championship but my thoughts are that they got there because they were a group of lads in harmony," he said.

"Zoran (Matic) was a good disciplinarian and there was no back biting among the lads, who are all good mates prepared to work for each other."



STEFAN KAMASZ



LES MURRAY

West End National Soccer League executive director Stefan Kamasz has had trouble fitting through the doors of his office lately.

Stefan is still lapping up the part he played in the Print Media's brilliant 3-2 victory over the Electronic Media in a recent celebrity match.

The game was played as the curtain raiser to the St George-Apia WENSL opening match several weeks ago and provided a great spectacle.

It just so happens that Stefan, who came on as a second half replacement, set-up the Print Media's winning goal five minutes from full time.

Showing amazing skill and speed down the left flank, he fired in a pin point cross which the Telegraph's Trevor Robb headed in past SBS TV's Mike Hill.

Thankfully, we were spared the sight of Stefan taking off his jersey, a la Chris Kalantzis.

He was, along with Socceroo assistant coach Eddie Thomson and NSW director of coaching Alan Vest, a guest for the Print Media, which included the Sydney Morning Herald's Ray Gatt, who scored two goals, and Mike Cockerill, the Telegraph's Winsor Dobbin, AAP's Ted Simmons, ASW's Frank Coletta and ring-in Andy Paschalidis from SBS.

The Electronic Media were led by SBS's Les Murray and included as guests former Socceroos Adrian Alston and Atti Abonyi and former St George star Dez Marlon, Radio 2SM's Steve Quinn scored both goals.



The 1987 pre-season brought about a spate of weddings involving soccer players in Melbourne and they included two Socceroo squad members, Paul Wade and Alan Hunter.

Paul Wade got married on 21 February to Val Pegg, who is the daughter of former Croydon City president Geoff Pegg. Croydon is one of Paul's former clubs.

Alan Hunter married Helen Gaist on 4 January. The two met in January last year soon after Alan made his move down to Melbourne from Brisbane Lions.

Another player to tie the knot in the close season was Fabio Incantale of Brunswick Juventus who married Michelle on 29 November 1986.

Steve Marley of Heidelberg also got married while Angie Postecoglou of South Melbourne Hellas announced his engagement.

Our picture is from the wedding album of Alan and Helen Hunter.

NEXT MONTH IN AUSSIE SOCCER Sydney Croatia and George Cross in colour

GUEST WRITER: SOCCEROO SKIPPER CHARLIE YANKOS

THE TRANSFERS

The players gained club by club.

ADELAIDE CITY

Lemmy Vatsilas (Adelaide Croatia \$5,000)
Tim Mullen
Andy Toland
Dean Milosevic (Footscray \$1,200)

APIA LEICHHARDT

Charlie Yankos (West Adelaide Hellas \$22,000)
Peter Tredinnick (Marconi \$11,000)
Rod Brown (Marconi \$23,000)
Hilton Phillips (Canberra)
Terry Greedy (St George \$3,000)
Gary Ward (West Adelaide Hellas)
Peter Katholos (Sydney Olympic)
Burim Zajmi (Canterbury)
Jean Paul De Marigny (Sydney City)

BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS

Sean Lane (Preston Makedonia \$30,000)
Vlatko Belic (Footscray JUST \$15,000)
John Kyrgios (Clifton Hill \$4,000)
Luciano Fabrizio (Brisbane City \$3,000)
Anthony Grbac (AIS)

FOOTSCRAY JUST

Tyrone James (George Cross \$9,000)
Eddie Campbell (Brunswick Juventus \$15,000)
Gary Van Egmond (Manly)
Alex Radivojevic (ex Partizan Belgrade)

HEIDELBERG

Laurie McKinna (Box Hill \$7,000)
Andy Dealey (Hamlux North Shore NZ)
Scott Fraser (Green Gully \$7,000)

MARCONI

Gerry Gomez (Sydney City \$22,000)
Frank Farina (Sydney City \$30,000)

Tom McCulloch (Sydney City \$20,000)
Steve Maxwell (Adelaide City \$25,000)
Zlatko Nastevski (Rockdale)
Attilio Carbone (Inter Monaro)
Bob Catlin

MELBOURNE CROATIA

Alan Davidson (South Melbourne \$22,000)
Robbie Dunn (West Adelaide Hellas \$22,000)
Alan Scott (West Adelaide Hellas \$12,000)
Ian Wallace (Marlino Portugal)
Willie Herd (Partick Thistle Scotland)
Branko Milosevic (Osijek Yugoslavia)
Jim McLean (Croydon \$8,000)
Andy Humble (Croydon \$1,500)
Tony Lemezzina (Canberra)

PRESTON MAKEDONIA

Steve Gojevic (Melbourne Croatia \$23,000)
Steve Jackson (Brisbane Lions \$11,000)
Zoran Tasevski (Tetex)
John Stewart (Brisbane Lions \$15,000)
Goce Dimovski (Vardar)

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS

Paul Wade (Brunswick Juventus \$9,000)
Danny Wright (Brisbane Lions \$15,000)

ST GEORGE

David Green (Wollongong)
George Kulscar (Canberra)
Ken Slavski
Alan Pottier (WA)
Kevin Meacock
Neil Owens (Newcastle Rosebud)
George Bouhoutsas (Sydney Olympic)
Brett Hughes (Sydney City)
Steve O'Connor (Sydney City)
Kevin Hagan (Sydney City)
Frank D'Addario



CHARLIE YANKOS (APIA)

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS
Paul Trimboli (AIS)
Robert Markovac (Melbourne Croatia)

SYDNEY CROATIA
Anthony Franken (Canberra)
Ray Vlietstra (Wollongong)
Robbie Slater (Blacktown)
Mark Jones (Newcastle Rosebud)

SYDNEY OLYMPIC
David Ratcliffe (St George)
John Kosmina (Sydney City)
Emil Dragicevic (Sydney Croatia)
Peter Kotamanides (Wollongong)
Spiro Hantzis (Canterbury)
Arthur Svinos (Canterbury)



GREEN GULLY

Green Gully, early leader of the Victorian State League is aiming for a quick return to the West End National Soccer League.

The club finished bottom of the Southern Division last season and advocated the setting up of a Victorian Super League rather than the restructuring of the NSL into one reduced division.

Vice president Paul Azzopardi now says the club's aim has to be to rejoin the top company.

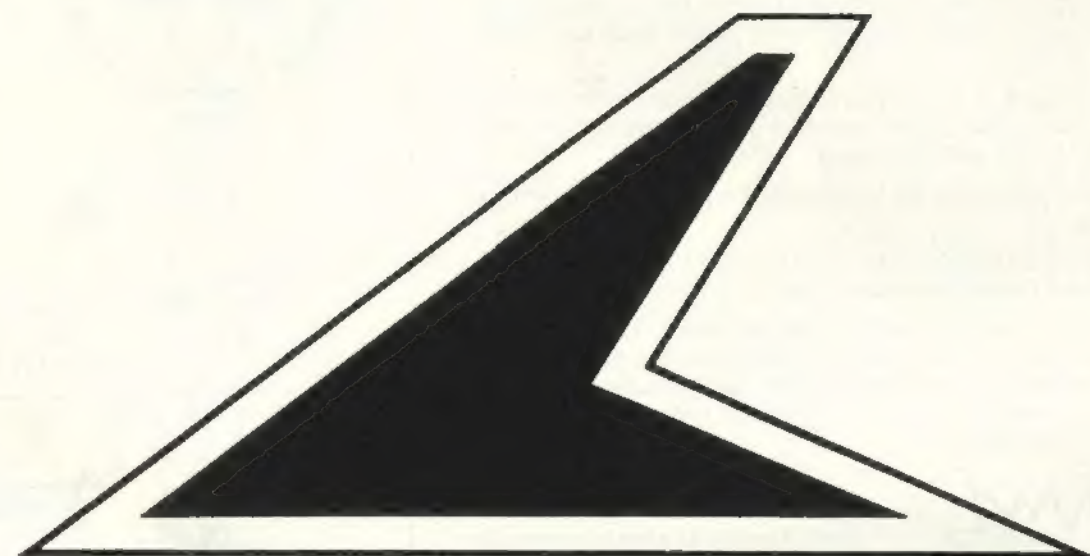
"We have a better chance of surviving in the National League than playing in the NSL.

"The only thing we have managed to reduce is players' wages in this year's budget.

"But the cost of running the club remains high regardless because all the previous expenses connected with running a club, whether it is floodlights, maintenance or the cost of the junior teams has remained the same.

"And we have to pay them on average gates of around 200 which is what we can expect against State League opposition," Azzopardi said.

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THYS RATES ME— AROK DOES NOT!

Eddie Krncevic is Australian Soccer's most successful export. After playing in Yugoslavia and West Germany, he was the subject of a \$250,000 transfer in Belgium last year.

This season Krncevic has played a big part in Anderlecht's rise among the best teams in Europe and he is now rated in the transfer market at \$2 million.

Krncevic represented Australia 33 times before becoming a professional but hasn't played since Frank Arok took over as National Coach.

In 1985 Krncevic's reply to a request to join the socceroo squad was that he could get released only for important matches against Israel and Scotland.

Arok's reply was that no individual could pick his games for Australia.

The pair exchanged broadsides through the media during Krncevic's two recent holiday visits to Australia.

In this article specially written by Krncevic from Belgium for "Aussie Soccer", the socceroo exile has his say on Arok and Craig Johnston, his own season with Anderlecht and the interest expressed by A. C. Torino of Italy in gaining his services for 1987-88.



Eddie Krncevic as seen by cartoonist Mark Momont.



TORINO AFTER \$2M EDDIE

It has been interesting to hear of the developments surrounding Craig Johnston's decision to make himself available for Australia's national team — AFTER trying to get into the English and Scottish national sides.

Even at this early stage, one would assume that if Liverpool does agree to release him, it will only be for selected or most important matches.

And it has been interesting to find out that Johnston's non-availability for matches against the likes of Taiwan, Fiji and New Zealand has not forced national coach Frank Arok to rule him out of consideration.

I say all that is interesting because after all my big "crime" has been making myself available only for the matches against Israel and Scotland in 1985.

That was the decision of my club and after all — like Craig Johnston — that is where my bread and butter comes from.

I am an Australian who loves to play for his country and I have plac-

ed Australia first despite approaches last year from none other than Belgian coach Guy Thys.

Prior to the World Cup finals in Mexico last year, Thys asked around to see if I could make myself available for inclusion in the Belgian national team so attempts could be made to change my nationality.



"Guy Thys wanted me to play for Belgium in the World Cup."

When the enquiry came to me, I told them it was an impossibility in any case because I have already played 33 times at senior level for Australia, 20 of them in full internationals.

Nevertheless it was a compliment

to receive the enquiry and was far better credit than I have received in Australia for my achievements in European soccer.

It has been reported in Australia that I would have to change my attitudes and to commit myself far more to the cause for Mr Arok to select me.

The contact I have had with Mr Arok has been one telephone conversation when I was in Australia on holiday during the Belgian close season.

He asked me to join a training camp to see what I can do and I cancelled my flight back to Europe to go to Sydney, only to become stranded in Melbourne because of a plane strike that happened on the day.

I didn't see any point in pursuing the matter from then on and duly flew back to Belgium to join pre-season training.

I realise that Belgian football doesn't receive the publicity that English soccer gets in Australia, so maybe there is a need to explain my

season in Belgium this year.

I left Australia in 1982, played at Dinamo Zagreb in Yugoslavia and Duisburg in West Germany before coming to Belgium three seasons ago to join Cercle Brugge.

At the end of last season, Anderlecht outbid Standard Liege to sign me on a two year contract.

Only three days after I had signed, I got a phone call from the president of Pisa, which at that time still had hopes of staying in the Italian Serie A because of the Totonero scandal.

Anderlecht, even if you include my bias, is one of the best teams in Europe, and I have practically joined a team of 11 internationals.

They include Enzo Scifo, who has already signed to play for Inter in Italy next year, and fellow Belgian internationals Frank Vercauteren and Georges Grun, all three of whom figured so prominently in Belgium's magnificent World Cup finals series.

The others include Danish international Henrik Andersen (another World Cup finalist), Holland's Van Tiggelen, Arno Gudjohnsen of Iceland and Spain's Juan Lozano.

Gudjohnsen is the top scorer in the Belgian first division with 14 goals at the time this article is being put together and is one of my best mates at the club as much because of our partnership as well as because of the friendship our wives have established going to all the games together.

At Anderlecht I am being used as the target man. My runs to the left and right have opened up several opportunities for the likes of Gudjohnsen and Scifo to come through and score goals.

I myself have collected 10 league goals to date and three more in the Cup.

I should also mention that only



Eddie Krncevic in command for Anderlecht in a recent match in Belgium's First Division.

two of those goals have come from headers, probably because at the club we play mainly to the feet.

That is directly opposed to my role at Cercle Brugges, where everything was played directly at me — mostly up in the air.

The game that has given me the biggest satisfaction was our 3-0 win over European Cup holders Steua Bucharest where I scored two of the goals.

I felt pleased there not only because the result helped knock out the holders but also because I felt that there would at least be some recognition about the feat in Australia.

STOPPER

Subsequent to that we of course got knocked out by Bayern Munich in the quarter finals of the European Cup after enduring a nightmare evening in the first leg (losing 0-5).

We went into the match without our libero De Mol and stopper Van Tiggelen as well as Scifo because of injuries and suspensions.

Our stand-in sweeper got injured after only 10 minutes and our manager Arie Haan was forced into switching me — of all people — to fill in at stopper.

I had never played defensive roles in my life but Haan didn't have a choice.

I did not enjoy playing against Dieter Hoenness one little bit.

That nightmare aside, we have been having a successful year at Anderlecht and been leading the Belgian first division for most of the season.

I suppose if you are to make a comparison, Anderlecht is like the Sydney Olympic or South Melbourne of Australia soccer where the team is not allowed to lose and even a draw is considered a bad result.

Because of that we don't even know whether Haan will stay on as manager. He has been walking round with a knife at his throat because of the Bayern defeat and a league match we lost at Beerschot.

From a personal view, this has

KRNCVIC continued

been my best season in Europe and it seems that others think so also.

My (personal) manager has been approached by Torino and was told the Italian first division club is interested in signing me.

AC Monaco of France is another to have made an approach.

I am still under contract of Anderlecht for another season after this finishes but you never know in European soccer.

If some club was to come up with some amazing figure, a move-on could still happen especially since Anderlecht is building a new stadium and needs the money to finance it.

The papers have been saying that my value in the transfer market would be around the \$2 million mark.

Anderlecht averages gates of 30,000 but we have packed houses of over 40,000 for the derby games involving Brussels teams — Club Bruges, Beveren, Mechelen and Standard Liege.

My wife Margaret and our son Jesse (who is now 2½ years old) are among the spectators regularly.

Margaret is probably the main reason behind my success — she keeps me going and pushes me at times. I don't think I would have reached this far if she hadn't been there through the bad patches, in Germany especially.

EDDIE KRNCVIC
Born: 14 August 1960 in Melbourne.
Married to Margaret. Son, Jesse (2½ years old).
Parents Miro and Augustina live in Doncaster, suburb of Melbourne.
Krncvic's Australian Soccer Career.
Melbourne Croatia
VSF State League:
1977: 10 apps. + 6 sub. 2 goals
1978: 9 apps. 6 goals
Marconi
National Soccer League:
1979: 26 apps. 13 goals
1980: 22 apps. + 1 sub. 13 goals
1981: 27 apps. + 1 sub. 4 goals
Represented Australia in 1979 World Youth Championship qualifiers in Paraguay.
Senior Soccer debut v NZ, 1979. Played 33 games for Australia between 1979 & 81.

Jesse was born in Germany but of course is Australian and is on our Australian passport.

We have missed the European summer twice to come back to Australia to visit our families over the past two years but we're thinking of having our break on the Greek island of Rhodes this year.

AMBITION

Looking further ahead, I must mention my burning ambition — and that is to eventually coach Australia's national team.

I have every intention of going to the coaching school here and it will take me a year or so to gain the diploma.

I want to be a coach and I feel confident about taking over a first division team here. In fact my former club Cercle has already told me I can have a job with them once I finish playing.

In the long run however Australia and the Socceroos job is my main

Eddie Krncvic in his Socceroo days, chasing John McClelland of Northern Ireland below and taking a penalty against Czechoslovakia bottom left.



aim. I plan to be playing for a while yet as I'm still 26, so Frank Arok has got no worries there.

Getting back to the Socceroos, I watched the Australia v Scotland games live on television in Belgium — and felt strongly at the time that I could have contributed, especially in that game in Melbourne because there were a couple of really good scoring chances.

The argument that has been put to me is that it would have been hard to fit into a team where I haven't played before.

The fact is I have done just that at Anderlecht. If I could settle into one of the top sides in Europe in a matter of one or two games, I can't see why it couldn't happen with the Australian team.

I feel that with my experience, I could help the players around me.

Going on to coming internationals, I know that Australia has some qualifying games for the Olympics in November.

That would co-incide with our mid-season winter break which is a month long and is due to start in mid November.

Anderlecht may be in Australia at the time in any case because the manager has already told me that the club is interested in touring over there.

So what it comes down to is that I could make those internationals if I was needed.

It is really up to the Australian Soccer Federation and Mr Arok. I'm sure Anderlecht would not oppose the idea.

All it takes is a telex request!

— with Peter Desira

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ADELAIDE CITY 1987

Standing left to right: Tim Mullen, Charlie Villani, Colin Millar, Willie McNally, Aurelio Vidmar, Paul Wilde, Joe Mullen.
Squatting left to right: Alex Tobin, Lemmy Vatsilas, Sergio Melta, Adrian Santrac, Bugsy Nyskohus, Paul Shillabeer.



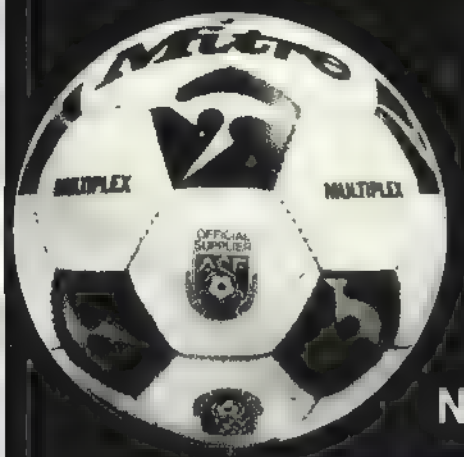
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BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS . . . 1987



STANDING (left to right): Domenic Tunuta (president), Scott Patterson, John Dowie, Vlatko Belic, John Kyrgios, Pat Marrama, Brian Brown, Peter Lewis.
SEATED (left to right): John Yzendoorn, Rob Cullen, Luciano Fabrizio, Andrew Zinni, David Vesnaver, Anthony Grbac.
FRONT (left to right): Joe Palatsides, Mehmet Durakovic, club mascot, Sean Lane, Fabio Incantalupo.

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STAR
SPOT

GRAHAM ARNOLD SYDNEY CROATIA

Full name: Graham James Arnold
Born: 3 August 1963 in Sydney. Both my parents were also born in Australia.
Height: 183cm (6ft)
Weight: 80kg (17st 10lbs)
Previous clubs: Sutherland Shire at junior level. Two years at Canterbury. I have been with Croatia five seasons.
Status: I'm engaged to Deborah. We're planning a November wedding — but we're having to juggle the dates because of soccer commitments.
Occupation: Carpenter with Austral Refrigeration in Belmore.
Car: Mazda RX7.
Nickname: BANANA is the latest one I've copped. It started with Arnie, turned to Bernie and then Bernie Banana was the natural extension.
Favourite Australian player: Robbie Dunn. Zarko Džakov and Frank Farina are among the ones I like.
Favourite other team: I follow Arsenal's progress in England. In Australia, I tend to look for the results of Sydney Olympic and South Melbourne.

Favourite overseas players: Ken Dalglish and Ian Rush. They're both excellent strikers, good at scoring goals.
Favourite away ground: It's definitely not St George Stadium where we have been unable to win for the past three years. The ones I have enjoyed playing on are Hindmarsh and Olympic Park.
Favourite stadium at which you played: I was at Hampden Park without actually playing in our World Cup game. I got the biggest buzz at Olympic Park for the return game against Scotland — great atmosphere and the crowd was behind us.
Best goal you've scored: It has to be the diving header against China in our 2-0 win for the Ampol Cup last November.
Best goal seen: Maradona's second against England in the World Cup finals '86.
Most difficult opponent: Robbie Dunn — he's all legs and is good in the air. Charlie Yankos — he's a solid hard tackler who reads the game well. Arno Bertrugna — he's also powerful in the air and gives me a hard time.

Most memorable match: vs Sydney Olympic (27/7/86) when we beat them 4-1 to clinch the Northern Division Championship. And that Ampol Cup game against China.

Biggest disappointment: Getting beaten 3-4 by Olympic in extra time in the Championship play-offs (Oct 85) after we led 3-1 with 15 minutes of normal time to go.

Worst ever injury: I had to miss four weeks with ankle ligaments problems during the pre-season of 1986.

Favourite other sports: Golf and tennis. I only get a chance to play them once a fortnight.

Miscellaneous dislikes: Waiting at airports and long flights.

Favourite TV: I still get a kick out of watching Happy Days and like all sports shows.

TV shows you always switch off: Neighbours, Country Practice — I'm not into soap as

Reading: I don't do much of that but I like autobiographies on cricketers.

Favourite music: INXS. Simply Red.

Favourite food: Anything I don't cook. I like eating seafood and Italian dishes.

Favourite drink: Orange juice. I like the occasional beer.

Best country visited: England, Scotland, Hong Kong. I've been to all three through soccer.

Favourite actor/actress: Sylvester Stallone, Clint Eastwood, Kathleen Turner.

Most embarrassing moment: There's been a few. The worst was being set up by the Sydney Croatia players while we were in Indonesia for exhibition games in 1982. They rang me in my room pretending to be officials from an Indonesian club wanting to sign me. They made me put on a suit and go down to the lobby, then watched as I sat there for 15 minutes before waking up to it. Joe Watson put me through a harrowing experience making me pose with Bob Hawke the time we were invited by the Prime Minister to Canberra. Jinky didn't have any film in his camera.

Best film seen this year: Crocodile Dundee.

Best mate: Glen Holloway — he's not involved in soccer.

Biggest influence on career: Ron Corry. He was the one who took me aside at Canterbury and drilled a bit more dedication into me by telling me I have the ability to play. He promoted me from third grade to the senior side there. He's still my mentor at Croatia. My parents Barry and Faye also influenced me. The latest to play a big part is Vedran Rozic at Sydney Croatia.

Pre-match meal: The night before a game, I eat pasta. On the mornings of the game I have cereals and eggs on toast. Only a toasted sandwich for lunch but a must is a cup of tea with honey before I leave for the game.

Superstitions: Always wear a silver chain with a soccer ball in every game I play. I don't like to be astounded on the field and I always go for a walk on the morning of the game.

What you don't like about soccer: Inconsistent refereeing. Time wasting.

International honours: 14 games for the Socceroos.

Professional ambition: The big aim is to make the Olympic Games and hopefully get through to the World Cup finals in 1990.

Personal ambition: To be well off and (subsequently) live a long and happy life.

Career after playing: I'd like to coach but don't know if I'll be able to handle the pressure of senior coaching. Looking after youngsters would be more my style.

Person you would most like to meet: Diego Maradona, Mike Tyson, Ian Rush.

Advice to youngsters: Practice the basics, look after your fitness and most of all, be patient.

Graham Arnold

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A series designed to introduce established players in the West End National Soccer League who don't normally command the headlines but are just as important to their teams. The easy-to-follow series will let you find out about their playing careers and help the autograph hunters of the NSL. Watch out for our regular team of 11 players every month.

JOSIP BISKIC
Melbourne Croatia

An everpresent for Melbourne Croatia in 1986 either as a midfielder or on the wing. Biskic gave service to Osijek and BSK Savanski Brod in the Croatian League before coming to Australia in March 1982. Has averaged four goals a season for the club despite playing in a deep lying role. Following the departure of Steve Gojevic, Biskic is Melbourne Croatia's longest serving player. Rated among the most skilful players at the club, he missed most of the pre-season Buffalo Cup with a groin injury, but returned in time to score one of the winning goals in the Final.

Born: 20 May 1959
NSL debut: Melbourne Croatia 1 Black Juventus 2 March 4 1984
NSL career details: Melbourne Croatia
1984 30 apps 5 goals
1985 16 apps + 1 sub 3 goals
1986 22 apps 5 goals

MARY UNKNOWN
APIA Leichhardt

A product of APIA's juniors. Brown broke into the senior side at the beginning of the 1983 season and took over the left back spot from Ian Gray. Has been a fixture in the position for the past three years and at the start of the season needed only four more league games to make his 100th NSL appearance. Under-rated defender who doesn't get the recognition he deserves but is highly valued by coach Rale Rasic.

Born: 2 March 1963
NSL debut: Heidelberg 2 APIA Leichhardt 0, 13 March 1981
NSL career details: APIA Leichhardt
1983 24 apps
1984 29 apps
1985 22 apps
1986 21 apps

PETER LAUMETS
South Melbourne Hellas

Will become the 33rd player to tot up 200 NSL appearances. Laumets has been a fixture at South Melbourne since joining in 1979 for \$15,000 from Preston Makedonia. The goalkeeper started out at Altona City then transferred to Preston Makedonia in 1976 for \$7,000 playing in 66 State League games for the club before switching to South. At Hellas he took over the goalkeeping spot from Jack Reilly. Laumets was a member of the NSL championship winning squad in 1984. He has represented Victoria five times and played one game for Australia (vs Greece) in 1978.

Born: 3 April 1957
NSL debut: South Melbourne 2 St George 0, 29 April 1979
NSL career details: South Melbourne
1979 11 apps
1980 26 apps
1981 30 apps
1982 24 apps
1983 30 apps
1984 28 apps
1985 24 apps
1986 22 apps

STEVE MARLEY
Heidelberg

One of a number of players who came to Melbourne soccer from Scottish non-league club Pollok. Marley who was on the books of Hibernian earlier in his career joined Croydon City from Pollok for \$4,000 in July 1983. Croydon used him as a sweeper but he was there for less than 12 months before he was snapped up by Heidelberg for \$4,000 in April 1984. Since then has been a fixture at left back although former coach Brian Garvey experimented with him in midfield in the 1986 Buffalo Cup. Missed a good part of the 1984 season with a knee injury. Was a member of Heidelberg's Buffalo Cup winning side in 1985.

Born: 4 May 1961
NSL debut: Footscray 0 Heidelberg 3, 29 April 1984
NSL career details: Heidelberg
1984 11 apps
1985 23 apps
1986 21 apps + 1 sub

WILLY McNALLY
Adelaide City

Irish born keeper recruited from Perth Azurra by Bob D'Ottavio in 1982. Competed for the number one spot with Bobby Ferguson in his first season then established himself as first choice and was an everpresent in 1983 and '84. Has also been first choice for the South Australian State team for the past two seasons touring Penang and India in the process. Missed nine league games of last season's NSL title winning campaign through a hand injury but coach Zoran Matcic still included him on the subs bench — as an outfield player — because of Adelaide City's small squad.

Born: 16 March 1955
NSL debut: Adelaide City 0 Footscray 1, 31 Oct 1981
NSL career details: Adelaide City
1981 13 apps
1982 30 apps
1983 28 apps
1984 21 apps
1985 12 apps



PAUL CARTER
Marconi

Right back who was on the verge of making the Soccerroo squad in 1984 and joined Marconi for that reason only for Las Schenitlog to be axed as the national coach soon after. Carter was promoted into the Leichhardt senior side at the tail end of 1981 and the following season was in APIA's NSL Cup winning side against Heidelberg. Marconi signed him for \$13,000 after a tribunal case which reduced his original fee from \$25,000. Carter was an everpresent in Marconi's side last season.

Born: 17 July 1963
NSL debut: APIA Leichhardt 4 Canberra 0, 23 August 1981
NSL career details: APIA Leichhardt
1981 3 apps
1982 13 apps 1 goal
1984 24 apps 1 goal
Marconi
1984 28 apps
1985 25 apps 2 goals
1986 24 apps



JEFF FOULDS
Sunshine George Cross

Skippier of the team enjoying his best ever period in the NSL. The midfielder was brought to Australia from English non-league club Kettering in 1978 and helped Preston to the Victorian State League championship and subsequent promotion into the NSL. Moved to Melbourne Croatia in 1982 for \$5,000 and two seasons later helped that club move up to the new two division National League. After losing his midfield spot was again on the move this time for \$8,000 to Cross and has now been with the club through the initial two seasons of turmoil to then lead into the reduced one division league.

Born: 12 January 1956
NSL debut: Preston Makedonia 0 Canberra 1, 15 February 1981
NSL career details: Preston Makedonia
1981 15 apps + 3 sub
Melbourne Croatia
1984 10 apps + 1 sub
Sunshine George Cross
1984 15 apps 3 goals
1985 22 apps 2 goals
1986 23 apps 1 goal



TOM KARIC
Footscray JUST

A favourite of coach Drago Sekularac and one of the mainstays behind the club's rise in 1986. His performances also attracted the attention of national coach Frank Ark who has been including him in the training sessions held for the Melbourne based Soccerroos. Karic is a product of Footscray's juniors. He was introduced briefly into the senior side in 1983 then established himself as a regular the following season under cado cirkovic as a midfielder. Was switched to his central defensive role in '85. His two goals in the league so far have been against West Adelaide and Brunswick Juventus. Quiet and unassuming off the field, he leaves his tenacity for the part and has already established himself as one of the best defenders in the league.

Born: 5 October 1964
NSL debut: Newcastle 3 Footscray 0, 25 June 1983
NSL career details: Footscray JUST
1983 4 apps
1984 16 apps 1 goal
1985 22 apps 1 goal
1986 24 apps + 1 sub



TERRY PATALIS
Sydney Olympic

A product of Sydney Olympic's juniors who broke into the first team in May 1983. Started out in midfield but towards the end of that season was moved up front scoring goals in the two games against Wollongong. At the end of the season scored both goals in the 1-0 wins (home and away) in the final of the NSL Cup against Heidelberg. At the end of the '84 season he went to Greece to trial with Ethnikos. On his return regained his spot in the side this time in midfield. In July '85 he left again for Greece where he stayed until May last year. Was used at fullback for the first time on his return. This season is again competing for a midfield position.

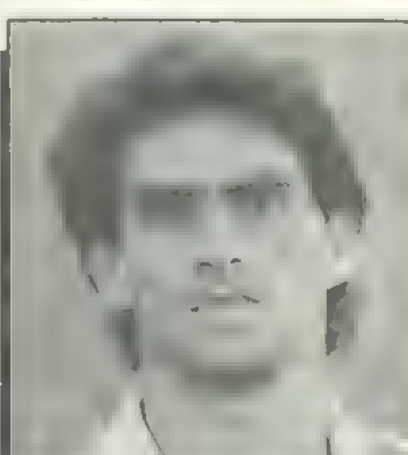
Born: 20 June 1964
NSL debut: Olympic 1 St George 2, 15 May 1983
NSL career details: Sydney Olympic
1983 12 apps + 6 sub 2 goals
1984 4 apps + 6 sub 1 goal
1985 11 apps + 2 goals
1986 5 apps + 15 sub



PETER PETKOVSKI
St George

Utility who came through the St George juniors and had already established himself in the club's NSL senior squad by the time he was included in the Young Soccerroo side for the Oceania qualifiers and then the World Youth Championship finals in USSR in 1985. At St George he scored his first NSL goal while playing fullback against Canberra in July '83. Since then he has been used in midfield or attack and this season is concentrating on a striking position. Is still only 20 years old but has already grabbed 14 NSL goals.

Born: 25 September 1966
NSL debut: St George 1 Heidelberg 1, 5 June 1983
NSL career details: St George
1983 8 apps + 10 sub 3 goals
1984 19 apps + 8 sub 5 goals
1985 10 apps + 9 sub 2 goals
1986 17 apps + 5 sub 4 goals



IAN WOODHOUSE
Preston Makedonia

Voted Makedonia's player of the year in only his first season at the club. Came through the Box Hill juniors and played 63 State League games for the club between 1983 and '85. Left for a six month stay in Britain in 1985 and trialed at Crystal Palace and with a Scottish first division club only to be stopped from staying on because of the restrictions on gaining a working visa. On his arrival back followed his Box Hill coach Bill Murray to Preston Makedonia. Murray converted him from a full back to a central midfield role last season.

Born: 15 March 1964
NSL debut: Brisbane City 0 Preston Makedonia 0, 30 March 1986
NSL career details: Preston Makedonia
1986 21 apps

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March 1987

1st: Melbourne Croatia clinches one of the biggest overseas signings in Scottish international Ian Wallace who was the subject of a \$1.8 million transfer from Coventry to Nottingham Forest in 1980... State League club Box Hill thrashes Footscray 4-0 while South Melbourne Heidelberg and George Cross join Melbourne Croatia in the Buffalo Cup semis

2nd: Sydney Olympic dumps Peter Katholos and V cente Estavillo after disagreements with coach Milan Lukic

3rd: Vlatko Belic is lured out of his temporary retirement and signs a two year contract with Brunswick Juventus which will pay \$15,000 for his transfer from Footscray Zjelko Jurin resolves his dispute with Sydney Croatia and signs a new contract with the club... Katholos signs for Apia on a free transfer from Olympic

4th: Beach Fashions of Australia announces it will pay \$250,000 to sponsor the NSL Cup for three seasons. Qantas also becomes an NSL sponsor with a \$20,000 grant towards the first ever trans-Tasman club competition between the champions and cup winners of Australia and NZ

5th: State League club St Albans announces it is prepared to buy Alan Scott on behalf of Melbourne Croatia from West Adelaide. West Adelaide has transfer listed Scott at \$25,000 but the player's contract has a clause limiting the fee to \$2,500 if he moves to a State League rather than an NSL club

6th: Sydney Croatia rejects a transfer request from Socceroo Graham Arnold. Footscray signs Gary Van Egmond on a free release from NSW State League club Manly Melbourne Croatia transfer lists Tony Redmond for \$6,000

7th: At the NSL's A.G.M., the league reduces affiliation fees to \$20,000, raises referees wages and announces all league matches will kick off at 2.30 pm to tie in with TV coverage. Sam Papisavas is re-elected chairman unopposed, while the executive is increased by one member, Michael Weinstein

8th: Sydney Croatia wins the NSW State Bank Cup defeating Marconi... Frank Arok is among the spectators as Paul Lewis scores both goals to put Melbourne Croatia into the Buffalo Cup final with a 2-1 win over Heidelberg. South Melbourne comes from behind to defeat George Cross 2-1 in the other



Gerry Gomez (Marconi)

semi... Sydney City wins the inaugural Qantas Cup Winners Cup 2-0 against NZ's North Shore in Auckland... Former president Tony Amon rejoins Footscray's committee at an extraordinary general meeting and immediately brings a massive injection of \$100,000 from 18 influential members

9th: St Albans lodge the papers with ASF to buy out Alan Scott for \$2,500 in spite of warnings from West Adelaide that it will block the move

10th: Milan Lukic is under enormous pressure at Olympic but president Tom Doumanis maintains the coach has the club's 100 per cent backing

11th: Olympic Airways retains its ties with Australian soccer by sponsoring Sydney Olympic, South Melbourne and Heidelberg for \$30,000 each

12th: Imports Zoran Tasevski and Alex Radivojevic arrive on the same flight from Yugoslavia to join Preston Makedonia and Footscray JUST respectively... Adelaide City signs striker Lemmy Vatsilas from Adelaide Croatia for \$5,000

13th: The Alan Scott saga is resolved amicably. Renewed talks between Melbourne Croatia and West Adelaide establish the transfer fee at \$15,000 and St Albans drops its application for Scott's clearance

14th: Melbourne Croatia retains the Buffalo Cup with a 2-0 victory over South Melbourne Paul Lewis and Josip Biskic score the all important goals

15th: Roy McLaren resigns as coach of Heidelberg giving pressures of business as the reason for his departure after being in charge for only six games... Adelaide City wins the inaugural Qantas Champions Cup defeating NZ's Mount Wellington on penalties at the end of a 1-1 draw

16th: Peter Ollerton knocks back an offer to take over as Heidelberg coach preferring instead to stay on as assistant to Terry Hennessey at Melbourne Croatia

17th: John Margaritis is appointed as Heidelberg's new coach and immediately puts an end to a transfer request from Socceroo Alan Hunter... Oscar Crino trans at Footscray Crino has been inactive for eight months through injuries and a dispute with his Cypriot club Anorthosis... Craig Johnston is to have a back operation at the end of the English league season and will not play for Australia this year

18th: St George announces it will experiment with Friday night soccer for its first four home games in a bid to increase its support

19th: Preston Makedonia convinces Yugoslav 1st division leader Vardar Skopje to release striker Goce Dimovski who toured Australia as part of the Vardar's senior squad in January... Apia is negotiating to bring to Australia Antonio Barrios who has played in the Argentinian first division with Racing

20th: Tour promoter Westay withdraws its invitation to the Soccerroos to play in the tournament against Celtic, Manchester United and Nottingham Forest. The three UK clubs will still tour and play each other in Perth and Adelaide... Apia releases Polish import Janusz Baran to VSF State League club Maribyrnong Polonia

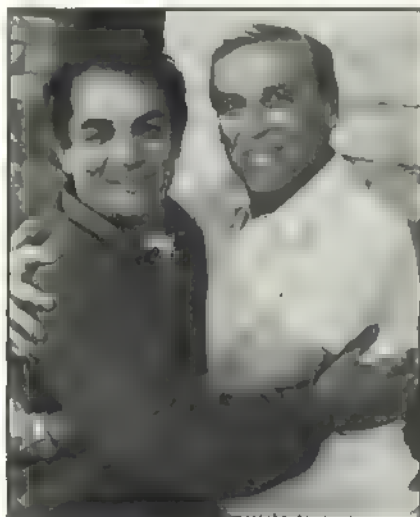
21st: Francesco "Ciccio" Graziani, a member of Italy's 1982 World Cup winning side, agrees to play three guest games for Apia in the NSL. He replaces Bruno Conti

22nd: Melbourne Croatia retains the Ansett Challenge Shield (the decider between the VSF and NSWFL night series winners) by scoring a lucky 1-0 win over Sydney Croatia with an own goal

23rd: Umbro and Rank Xerox add another \$100,000 in sponsorship deals with the West End NSL. Primo Smallgoods offers a \$10,000 cash prize for the NSL's player of the year

24th: Footscray is chasing former Melbourne Croatia defender Drago Deankovic, now playing for Osijek in Yugoslavia's first division... Steve Tasios, attempting a comeback after a cartilage operation, gets injured at South Melbourne training and has to undergo arthroscopy surgery on the same right knee... Robert Markovac, a free agent after completing his contract with Melbourne Croatia, signs for George Cross

25th: Melbourne Croatia claims Deankovic is still its property. The player returned to Yugoslavia midway through his contract and is indefinitely suspended by the club... Eddie Campbell moves from Brunswick Juventus to Footscray for \$15,000 after gaining permanent residency status in Australia today



Reunion of World Cup greats in Melbourne: Yugoslavia's Drago Sekularac ('58 & '62 finals) with Gyula Grosics of Hungary (short sleeves) ('54, '58, '62 finals)

26th: Million dollar man Ian Wallace arrives in Melbourne to join Melbourne Croatia

27th: The 1987 NSL season kicks off with Apia defeating St George 3-1. Rod Brown gets two of the goals

28th: Heidelberg and South Melbourne are given byes in the draw for the first round of the Beach Fashions Cup... Gerry Gomez is sent off on his debut for Marconi as the side goes under 1-2 to Brunswick Juventus. Sweeper John Yzendoorn scored both Juve's goals... Preston Makedonia completes a \$15,000 transfer deal for John Stewart of Brisbane Lions and flies him down from Brisbane for the club's opening game of the NSL

29th: Sydney Croatia trounces Melbourne Croatia 6-1, Robbie Slater nabbing a hat-trick. Champion Adelaide City comes from behind to defeat Heidelberg 4-1... South Melbourne is the other club making a fine start topping George Cross 3-0... Two more red cards — Ian Dobson and Vlado Bozinovski — in the 0-0 draw between Footscray and Preston... Olympic loses 0-2 to Sydney City immediately adding stronger speculation about Lukic's position as coach

30th: The Hakoah club announces withdrawal of its financial backing for Sydney City but does not clarify whether it will pull out immediately or allow the team to see the season out

31st: West Adelaide and Blacktown express immediate interest in buying Sydney City out. TV producer Harry Michael also puts up a bid

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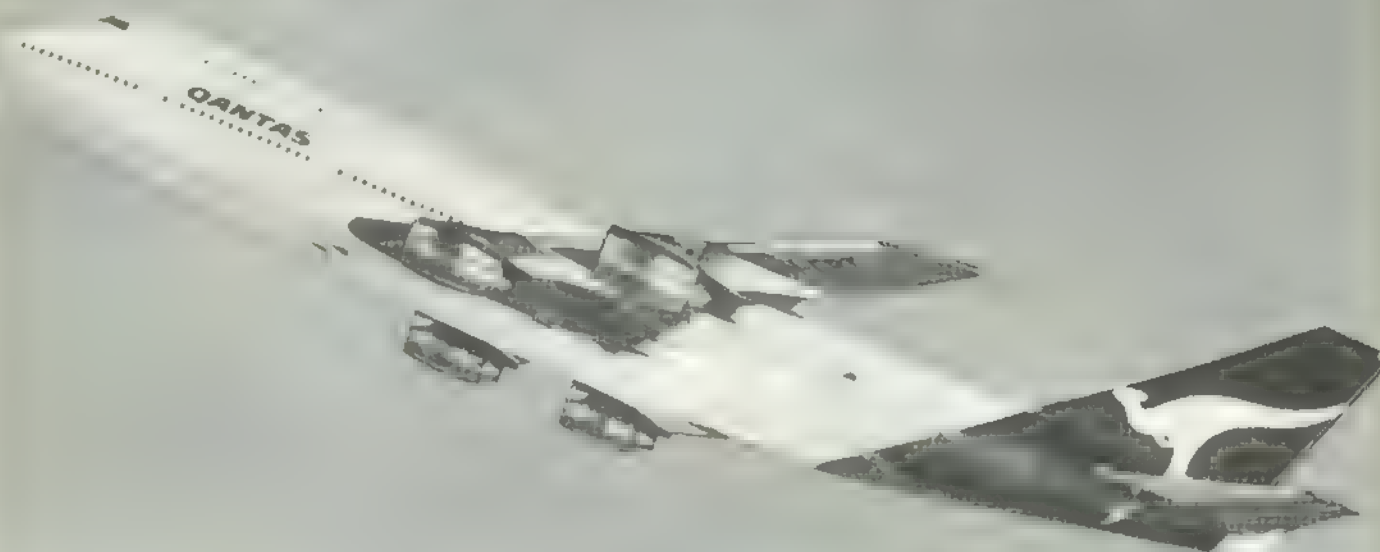
STAR SPOT ANDREW ZINNI

Brunswick Juventus



Full name: Andrea Zinni **Born:** 6 March 1965 in Melbourne
Height: 178cm (5ft 10ins) **Weight:** 72kg (11½ stone)
Hair: Brown **Eyes:** Green **Status:** Single
Occupation: Melbourne University student. I've got one year to complete my bachelor of building degree but I'll be doing it part time over two years because of my soccer commitments
Car: Alfa Romeo
Nickname: John Margaritis used to call me the snake but you'd better ask him for the reason behind it
Previous clubs: I played in Melbourne's juniors till I was 14. Then after a season with Hakoah, Mike Petersen and I joined Port Melbourne for three seasons. The Port team also included Joe Paatsides, Peter Tsolakis, Aki Kotsamichalis and Mehmet Durakovic. I joined Brunswick Juventus after being invited by coach Tony Boggi for a trial in 1982
Favorite other team: I supported Juventus of Italy as a kid and still follow their progress nowadays
Favorite Australian player: Paul Wade. We have been good mates for some time and I was disappointed he joined South Melbourne this season
Favorite overseas player: Alessandro Altobelli (Inter Milan and Italy). I admire his perseverance and the way he established himself as an international star now in his late twenties
Your ideal world XI: This was a curler and I had problems deciding on a right back and centre half but I ended up settling for Zoff — Amoroso (even though he played left back for France in the World Cup) Beckenbauer, Facchetti, Cabrini — Platini, Tardelli, Boniek, Cruyff — Maradona, Altobelli
Best goal seen: I'll never forget Maradona's mazy run for that goal against England in the '86 World Cup finals
Most memorable match: vs South Melbourne in the last round of the 1986 NSL. We needed the two points to win the Southern Division championship and I helped to do so by scoring a hat-trick in the second half (Juve won 3-0)
Own magic moment in soccer: Scoring my first goal for Australia against New Zealand. NZ coach Kevin Fallon described it as a fluke but I felt I deserved a bit more credit for being there at the right time and I was the last player to get a touch even if it took a deflection
Biggest disappointment: Tearing a thigh muscle in the NSL 1985 championship play-offs while scoring a goal against Heidelberg. The injury forced me to miss the rest of the series which Juve won to become the '85 NSL champion
Favorite other sports: Tennis (I played competitively till I was 16), golf, and I like surfing whenever I get the time
Most embarrassing moment: The Juventus lads set Joe Sweeney and myself up while we were in Brisbane for an away game against Brisbane City. We were sent to a TV station to be part of a sports program but we had a hell of a time saying we were there for an interview which turned out to be non-existent. The boys were all in stitches when we returned ashen faced to our hotel for breakfast
TV likes and dislikes: I hate most soaps except Dallas. I still enjoy watching Get Smart and really like Moonlighting
Favorite reading: Sports and car magazines
Favorite singers/musicians: Bruce Springsteen, Phil Collins, Toto, Genesis
Favorite food and drink: I like Italian food and Chianti
Best country visited: I've been to Italy four times and I'll never tire of it
Favorite actors/actresses: Dudley Moore, Eddie Murphy, Nastassia Kinski
Best film seen recently: Crocodile Dundee
Best mate: My father Joe
Biggest influence on career: My father and Leif Jensen. He was my first and only coach until I was 14
What you don't like about soccer: Players who resort to dirty play because of their lack of football ability
Prematch meal: I always have pasta
International honors: I've played four matches for Australia so far
Personal ambition: To become a regular in the national team and to get another NSL championship medal
Professional ambition: To become a successful project (construction) manager
Player to watch out for this season: Mehmet Durakovic. I've always known Mem had the ability to make it and there is no reason why he shouldn't get the chance this year
Who would you most like to meet: Bruce Springsteen
Advice to youngsters: Practice, practice, practice.

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ROUND 1



ACTION from Round 1 of the West End NSL as (left) Paul Wade celebrates his second goal for South Melbourne against George Cross with teammates Danny Crainie (No. 7), Richard Miranda and George Kalogeros (arms raised). Right: (Joe Janko pic) Charlie Villani (striped shirt) sweeps past Chris Ketsakidis of Heidelberg as Adelaide City raced away to a 4-1 victory. And below (Michael Silver pic) Preston Makedonia's Ron Campbell tries an unconventional method of getting to the ball but there is no way past Ernie Tapai of Footscray JUST.



ROUND 1

Table: Sydney Croatia, Adelaide City, South Melbourne, Apia Leichhardt, Sydney City, Brunswick Juventus: 2 pts. Footscray JUST, Preston Makedonia: 1 pt. Marconi, St George, Sydney Olympic, Heidelberg, Sunshine George Cross, Melbourne Croatia: 0 pts.

TOTAL GOALS RD 1: 24 (2 from penalties)

Top Scorers:

3 — Slater (Sydney Croatia).
2 — R. Brown (Apia Leichhardt), McCulloch (Sydney City, 2 pens), J. Mullen (Adelaide City), Wade (South Melbourne), Yzendoorn (Brunswick Juventus).

29/3/87. Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide

ADELAIDE CITY **HEIDELBERG**

1 Willie McNALLY 1 Jeff OLVER
2 Paul SHILLABEER 3 Steve MARLEY
3 Alex TOSIN 4 Alan HUNTER
4 Buggy NYSKOHUS 5 Chris KETSAKIDIS
6 Sergio MELTA 7 Theo SELEMDIS
7 Adrian SANTRAC 9 Laurie MCKINNA
8 Charlie VILLANI 10 Andy DEELEY
9 Joe MULLEN 11 Peter TSOLAKIS
10 Paul WILDE 12 John KANESOUKIS
11 Aurelio VIDMAR 13 Con PAPPAS
15 Lemmy YATSIAS 20 Doug BROWN
Zoran MATIC coach John MARGARITIS coach

Scorers

4m J. Mullen 1-1 2m Deeley 0-1
23m Vidmar 2-1
44m Villani 3-1
54m J. Mullen 4-1

Substitutions

37m John Anastasiadis for Pappas
66m Mike Valentine for Anastasiadis
75m Tim Mullen for Vatsias

Referee: Chris Bambridge (Vic)
Bookings: Marley, Kanesoulis, Tsolakis, Melta, Wilde

Man of the Match: PAUL WILDE
Match Entertainment Value: 7

The Match: Deeley broke through from midfield to score but the Bergers' lead was short lived. Joe Mullen hit home the rebound after Olver blocked Villani's shot. Vidmar ended a solo run with a chip over Olver. Villani hit an angled shot past the keeper and Joe Mullen outjumped everyone to head in Santrac's corner.

28/3/87. Olympic Park, Melbourne

BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS **MARCONI**

1 Pat MARRAMA 1 Bob CATLIN
2 Mehmet DURAKOVIC 2 Paul CARTER
3 Peter LEWIS 3 Robert WHEATLEY
5 Brian BROWN 4 Tony HENDERSON
6 John YZENDOORN 5 Gerry GOMEZ
7 Robert CULLEN 6 Craig MASON
8 Fab INCANTALUPO 8 David LOWE
9 Sean LANE 9 Frank FARINA
10 Scott PATTERSON 11 Steve MAXWELL
11 Andrew ZINNI 14 Antio CARBONE
15 Anthony GRBAC 20 Geoff GUNNING
Len McKENDRY coach Roberto VIERI coach

Scorers

29m Yzendoorn 1-0 77m Maxwell 2-1
55m Yzendoorn 2-0

Substitutions

46m Zlatko Nastevski for Gunning
80m Lee Sterrey for Carter

Referee: Don Campbell (SA)
Bookings: Henderson, Gomez, B. Brown, Patterson, Sterrey, Cullen.

Sent off: Gomez 66m
Man of the Match: ROBERT CULLEN
Match Entertainment Value: 8

The Match: 1-0 A short freekick from Robert Cullen to John Yzendoorn whose shot deflected off a defender and went in off the post. 2-0 Corner kick from Anthony Grbac, Cullen tapped the ball over the defence to Yzendoorn to sidefoot home from three metres out. 2-1 Forward run by Paul Carter, a shot by Zlatko Nastevski comes off the post and Steve Maxwell boots in from the rebound.

28/3/87. Schieller Reserve, Melbourne

FOOTSCRAY JUST **PRESTON MAKEDONIA**

1 Zoran NIKTOVIC 1 Philip TRAIANEDES
2 Tyrone JAMES 2 Con OPASINAS
4 Tom KARIC 4 Steve JACKSON
5 Gary VAN EGMOND 5 Ian DOBSON
7 Ernie TAPAI 6 Zoran TASEVSKI
8 Alex RADIVOJEVIC 7 Zoran ILIOSKI
9 Ossie LATIF 8 Ron CAMPBELL
10 Vlado BOZINOVSKI 10 Steve SMITH
11 Zdravko LUJIC 11 Steve GOJEVIC
12 Suleiman CUROVIC 15 Mike MCLENNAN
14 Eddie CAMPBELL 16 George JOLEVSKI
Drago SEKULARAC coach Bill MURRAY coach

Substitutions

54m Bill Lazopoulos for Radivojevic
60m John Stewart for Jolevski
66m Warren Spink for Latif

Referee: Jim Rossis (SA)
Bookings: Dobson, Bozinovski, Tasevski

Sent off: Bozinovski 66m, Dobson 82m

Man of the Match: IAN DOBSON
Match Entertainment Value: 5

The Match: Footscray had the best scoring chance but Latif, unmarked in the area, headed wide. Gale force winds marred the encounter. Bozinovski and Dobson were sent off for committing two bookable offences each. Preston introduced \$15,000 signing John Stewart in the second half.

29/3/87. Middle Park, Melbourne

STH MELS HELLAS **SUNSHINE G/CROSS**

1 Peter LAUMETS 1 Shaun KEOGH
2 Bobby RUSSELL 2 Chris TAYLOR
4 Garry McBOWWALL 4 Shaun PARTON
5 Steve BLAIR 4 Steve RICHARDSON
3 Angie POSTECOGLOU 3 John CAMPBELL
13 George KALOGEROS 11 Roger BAIN
8 Richard MIRANDA 15 Kevin INNES
6 Paul WADE 7 Jeff FAULKNER
7 Danny CRAINIE 10 John MARKOVSKI
9 Charlie EGAN 9 Carl GILDER
10 Danny WRIGHT 12 Paul TRIMBOLI
Brian GARVEY coach John GARDINER coach

Scorers

16m Wade 57m Postecoglou

Substitutions

63m Noel Mitten for Innes
65m Stuart Stevenson for Kalogeros

Referee: Jim Reeves (NSW)
Bookings: Markovski

Man of the Match: PAUL WADE
Match Entertainment Value: 7

The Match: Paul Wade headed in Angie Postecoglou cross for the first goal. Wade also claimed the second although his weak shot would not have gone in but for a deflection by Kevin Innes. Postecoglou ran onto a cutback to hit home his first ever NSL goal early in the second half.

27/3/87. St George Stadium, Sydney

ST GEORGE **APIA LEICHHARDT**

1 Mike GIBSON 1 Tony PEZZANO
2 David GREEN 3 Charlie YANKOS
3 Neil OWENS 4 Arno BERTOIGNA
4 Craig MOFFITT 5 Mark BROWN
5 George KULSCAR 6 Alex BUNDALO
6 Mike O'SHEA 7 Peter TREDINNICK
8 Ken SLAVESKI 8 Burim ZAJMI
9 Andy KOCZKA 9 Rod BROWN
10 Pedro RIDDY 10 Edward LORENS
12 Scott OLLERENSHAW 11 Terry BUTLER
15 Kevin MEACOCK 15 Gary WARD
Frank AROK coach Rale RASIC coach

Scorers

51m R. Brown 1-0
66m R. Brown 2-0
84m Phillips 3-1

Substitutions

46m Graeme Fletcher for Koczka
59m Stewart Porter for Slavski
59m Hilton Phillips for Ward
83m Mark Brady for Butler

Referee: Rob Davies (NSW)

Bookings: Meacock

Man of the Match: PETER TREDINNICK
Match Entertainment Value: 8

The Match: Peter Tredinnick played a part in all three Apia goals, lobbing over Gibson for Rod Brown to hit the first, taking the corner from which Rob Brown headed in the second and providing the pass for Phillips who turned past Green to score the third. Moffitt headed St George's goal from an Ollerenshaw cross.

28/3/87. St George Stadium, Sydney

SYDNEY CITY **SYDNEY OLYMPIC**

1 Clint GOSLING 1 Gary MEIER
2 Ean RODRIGUES 3 Spiro HANTZIS
3 Alex ROBERTSON 4 Tony DAKOS
4 Steve O'CONNOR 5 David RATCLIFFE
5 Robert HOOKER 6 Gary PHILLIPS
6 Grant LEE 7 Emil DRAGICEVIC
7 Tom MCCULLOCH 9 John KOSMINA
8 Murray BARNES 10 Marshall SOPER
9 Jean Paul DE MARIGNY 11 Chris KALANTZIS
10 Abbas SAAD 12 Terry PATALIS
16 Kevin HAGAN 14 Peter KOTAMANDIS
Eddie THOMSON coach Milan LUKIC coach

Scorers

76m McCulloch pen. 1-0
86m McCulloch pen. 2-0

Substitutions

15m Peter Raskopoulos for Soper
72m Sean Ingham for Saad
75m Manny Spanoudakis for Kosmina
82m Ian Souness for Lee

Referee: Gary Power (NSW)

Bookings: Emil Dragicevic

Sent off: De Marigny 48m

Man of the Match: TOM MCCULLOCH
Match Entertainment Value: 6

The Match: Tom McCulloch converted two penalties to give Sydney City a 2-0 win in the last match of its existence. Tony Dakos fouled McCulloch for the first penalty, while Manny Spanoudakis brought down Kevin Hagan for the second. De Marigny's sending off was for a blatant elbow in the face of Dragicevic.

29/3/87. Croatian Sports Centre, Sydney

SYDNEY CROATIA **MELBOURNE CROATIA**

1 Anthony FRANKEN 1 Mirko RUNJE
3 Graham JENNINGS 2 Alan DAVIDSON
4 Ray VLIETSTRA 3 Dave MCINTOSH
5 Vedran ROZIC 4 Robbie DUNN
7 Robbie SLATER 5 George HANNAH
8 Wally SAVOR 7 Josip BISKIC
9 Graham ARNOLD 8 Jim MCLEAN
11 Zarko ODZAKOV 9 Alan SCOTT
12 Mark JONES 10 Ian WALLACE
14 Ante RUMORA 12 Andy HUMBLE
15 Mantis LAMOND 14 Paul LEWIS
Vedran ROZIC coach Terry HENNESSEY coach

Scorers

8m Slater 1-0
12m Slater 2-0
19m Rumora 3-0
39m Odzakov 4-0
60m Arnold 5-0
87m Slater 6-1

Substitutions

46m Tony Lemezina for Humble
58m Shane Clinch for Rumora
65m Frank Valentich for McIntosh
85m Zeljko Jurin for Lamond

Referee: Richard Lorens (NSW)
Bookings: Runje

Man of the Match: ROBBIE SLATER
Match Entertainment Value: 8

The Match: In an awesome display of power, Jennings and Lamond combined to provide Slater with the opening two goals. Rumora hit a 20 metre drive into the top left corner of the net, Odzakov followed with one to the right corner. Arnold trapped a Jennings flick to shoot past Runje for the fifth and Slater completed his hat trick slamming in the rebound after Runje had palmed out Arnold's shot.

ROUND 2



League top scorer Robbie Slater (below, dark shirt) slides past Arthur Svinos of Sydney Olympic in the big clash of the day which Sydney Croatia won 4-1. Slater got the fourth goal to bring his total to four in two rounds. Left: Laurie McKinna heads goalwards despite the challenge of Footscray's Gary Van Egmond in Heidelberg's 3-0 win at the Olympic Village.



MICHAEL SILVER PICTURE

ROUND 2

Table: West End National League

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney Croatia	2	0	0	10	2	4
Adelaide City	1	1	0	6	3	3
Apia Leichhardt	1	1	0	5	3	3
Preston Makedonia	1	1	0	2	1	3
South Melbourne	1	0	1	4	2	2
Marconi	1	0	1	3	2	2
Heidelberg	1	0	1	4	4	2
Brunswick Juve	1	0	1	2	3	2
Melbourne Croatia	1	0	1	3	6	2
Sunshine G/Cross	0	0	1	0	3	0
Sydney Olympic	0	0	1	1	4	0
St George	0	0	2	1	5	0

TOTAL GOALS RD 2: 19

Top Scorers:
4 - Slater (S Cr)
3 - Brown R (at)
2 - Arnold (scr), McCulloch (m, 2 pens), Mullen (ac), Rumora (scr), Vidmar (ac), Villani (ac), Wade (wm), Yzendoorn (b il).

5/4/87. Marconi Stadium, Sydney

MARCONI 2 ST GEORGE 0

1 Bob CATLIN	1 Mike GIBSON
2 Paul CARTER	3 David GREEN
3 Robin WHEATLEY	4 Craig MOFFITT
4 Tony HENDERSON	5 George KULSCAR
6 Craig MASON	6 Ken SLAVESKI
8 David LOWE	6 Mike O'SHEA
9 Frank FARINA	7 Peter PETKOVSKI
11 Steve MAXWELL	9 Andy KOCZKA
12 Lee STERREY	10 Pedro RICOY
14 Attilio CARBONE	11 Graeme FLETCHER
17 Tom McCULLOCH	13 Stuart PORTER
Roberto VIERI coach	Frank AROK coach

Scorers
50m Nastevski 1-0
73m Farina 2-0

Substitutions
46m Zlatko Nastevski for Carbone
60m Geoff Gunning for Maxwell
62m Scott Ollerenshaw for Petkovski
72m Neil Owens for Koczka

Referee: Gary Power (NSW)
Cautions: Green, Slavski, Mason

Man of the Match: TOM McCULLOCH
Match Entertainment Value: 5

The Match: 1-0 Substitute Nastevski ran onto Wheatley's through pass, dribbled two defenders and sent a left foot shot past Gibson. 2-0 Lowe evaded a Mike O'Shea challenge to cross from the byline and Farina hit the ball home.

5/4/87. Olympic Park, Melbourne

MELBOURNE CROATIA 2 BRUNSWICK JUVE 0

1 Mirko RUNJE	1 Pat MARRAMA
2 Alan DAVIDSON	2 Mehmet DURAKOVIC
3 Dave MCINTOSH	3 Peter LEWIS
4 Robbie DUNN	4 Brian BROWN
7 Josip BISKIC	6 John YZENDOORN
9 Alan SCOTT	7 Robbie CULLEN
10 Ian WALLACE	8 Fab INCANTALUPO
11 Tony LEMEZINA	9 Sean LANE
13 Jim CAMPBELL	10 Scott PATTERSON
14 Paul LEWIS	11 Andrew ZINNI
15 Jim McLEAN	12 Anthony GRBAC
Terry HENNESSEY coach	Len McKENDRY coach

Scorers
3m Cullen og 1-0
68m Wallace 2-0

Substitutions
57m Vlatko Belic for Grbac
79m Andy Humble for McLean

Referee: Jim Rossis (SA)
Bookings: Campbell, McIntosh, Peter Lewis, Durakovic, Dunn
Sent off: Yzendoorn 90m

Man of the Match: ROBBIE DUNN
Match Entertainment Value: 3

The Match: Cullen deflected a Bistic cross from the right into his own net to give Croatia a surprise early lead. A job forward from Lemezina came off two Juve defenders to free million dollar man Ian Wallace who swerved past the keeper to slot the ball into the net for the second goal.

5/4/87. Connor Reserve, Melbourne
PRESTON MAKE S. MELBOURNE HELLAS

1 Philip TRAIANEDES	1 Peter LAUMETS
2 Con OPASINAS	2 Bobby RUSSELL
4 Steve JACKSON	3 Angie POSTECOGLOU
6 Zoran TASEVSKI	4 Garry McDOWALL
7 Zoran ILIOSKI	5 Steve BLAIR
8 Ron CAMPBELL	6 Paul WADE
10 Steve SMITH	7 Danny CRAINIE
11 Steve GOJEVIC	8 Richard MIRANDA
12 John STEWART	11 Charlie EGAN
13 Bill PICULOVSKI	10 Danny WRIGHT
16 Mike McLENNAN	11 Stuart STEVENSON
Bill MURRAY coach	Brian GARVEY coach

Scorers
38m Smith 1-0
50m Ilioski 2-0

Substitutions
58m Ken Murphy for CRAINIE
70m George Jolevski for Tasevski

Referee: Don Campbell (SA)
Bookings: Tasevski, Piculovski

Sent off: Bill Murray (coach)

Man of the Match: JOHN STEWART
Match Entertainment Value: 7

The Match: Laumets dropped a corner from Zoran Ilioski and Steve Smith tapped the loose ball home for the first goal. Preston moved further ahead when an exchange of passes between Ilioski and Campbell freed Ilioski to fire a shot which went through Laumets' legs. South pulled a goal back when Wade's cross was headed down by Blair for Egan to fire a shot which took a deflection on its way into the net.

5/4/87. St George Stadium

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 SYDNEY CROATIA 4

1 Gary MEIER	1 Anthony FRANKEN
3 Spiro HANTZIS	3 Graham JENNINGS
4 Tony DAKOS	4 Ray VLIETSTRA
5 David RATCLIFFE	5 Vedran ROZIC
6 Gary PHILLIPS	7 Robbie SLATER
8 Peter RASKOPOULOS	8 Wally SAVOR
9 John KOSMINA	9 Graham ARNOLD
11 Chris KALANTZIS	10 Zeljko JURIN
12 Terry PATALIS	11 Zarko ODZAKOV
13 Arthur SVINOS	12 Mark JONES
14 Peter KOTAMANIDIS	14 Ante RUMORA
David RATCLIFFE coach	Vedran ROZIC coach

Scorers
31m Kalantzis 1-0
44m Jones 1-1
80m Arnold 1-2
84m Rumora 1-3
85m Slater 1-4

Substitutions
44m Emil Dragicevic for Raskopoulos
55m Shane Clinch for Jurin
66m Manny Skpanoudakis for Svinos

Referee: Jim Reeves (NSW)
Cautions: Dakos, Raskopoulos

Man of the Match: ZARKO ODZAKOV
Match Entertainment Value: 9

The Match: 1-0 Kalantzis chested the ball down to shoot from 10 metres. 1-1 Mark Jones headed in the equaliser. 1-2 Slater run then a pass to Arnold who rounded Meier before putting the ball into an empty net. 1-3 Odzakov toyed with two defenders then sent over a cross which was headed home by Rumora. 1-4 Slater capped off a devastating display hitting in the fourth a minute later.

5/4/87. Lambert Park, Sydney

APIA LEICHHARDT 2 ADELAIDE CITY 2

1 Tony PEZZANO	1 Willie McNALLY
3 Charlie YANKOS	2 Paul SHILLABEER
4 Arno BERTOGNA	3 Alex TOBIN
5 Mark BROWN	4 Bugsy NYSKOHUS
6 Alex BUNDALO	5 Neville FLOUNDERS
7 Peter TREDINNICK	6 Sergio MELTA
8 Burim ZAJMI	7 Adrian SANTRAC
9 Rod BROWN	8 Charlie EGAN
10 Edward LORENS	9 Joe MULLEN
11 Terry BUTLER	10 Paul WILDE
12 Hilton PHILLIPS	11 AURELIO VIDMAR
Rale RASIC coach	Zoran MATIC coach

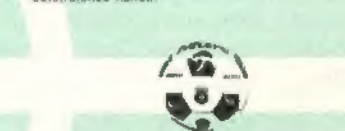
Scorers
2m Vidmar 1-0
15m Villani 2-0
76m Zajmi 2-1
88m R. Brown 2-2

Substitutions
46m Mark Brady for Lorens
72m Gary Ward for Brady

Referee: Richard Lorens (NSW)
Cautions: J. Mullen, Brady, M. Brown, Tredinnick, Wilde, Vidmar.

Man of the Match: ADRIAN SANTRAC
Match Entertainment Value: 7

The Match: 0-1 Vidmar, unmarked, collects Santrac's corner and scoops the ball through a crowd of players. 0-2 Vidmar cuts inside to hit a shot which is charged down and Villani plants in the rebound. 1-2 Apia switches to a four man attack and hits back. Bundalo and Tredinnick were involved in the build up providing the final pass to Zajmi, whose shot went under McNally. 2-2 Rod Brown moves onto Phillips' pass to shoot past McNally's outstretched hands.



5/4/87. Olympic Village, Melbourne

HEIDELBERG 3 FOOTSCRAY JUST 0

1 Jeff OLVER	1 Zoran NIKITOVIC
3 Steve MARLEY	2 Tyrone JAMES
4 Alan HUNTER	4 Tom KARIC
5 Chris KETSAKIDIS	5 Gary VAN EGMOND
7 Theo SELEMIDIS	6 Bill LAZOPULOS
8 Claude LUCCHESE	7 Ernie TAPAI
9 Laurie MCKINNA	8 Alex RADIVOJEVIC
11 Peter TSOLAKIS	9 Ossie LATIF
12 John KANESOULIS	12 Suleiman CUROVIC
15 John ANASTASIADIS	14 Eddie CAMPBELL
16 Scott FRASER	15 Warren SPINK
John MARGARITIS coach	Drago SEKULARAC coach

Scorers
39m Fraser 1-0
74m Selemidis 2-0
80m Tsolakis 3-0

Substitutions
59m Mick Burlak for Radivojevic
74m Rade Barjaktarevic for Radivojevic

Referee: Arthur Owens (NSW)
Bookings: Kanesoulis, Hunter, Karic

Man of the Match: CLAUDE LUCCHESE
Match Entertainment Value: 7

The Match: Scott Fraser ran onto a pass from Tsolakis to fire a shot from 25 metres into the top left corner to score on his debut. Selemidis bundled the ball over the line with his thigh at the far post following a freekick near the byline from Lucchesi. Tsolakis broke clear onto a through pass from Lucchesi and taunted Nikitovic before slotting the ball past him for the third goal.



PICTURE CARMELO BAZZANO

ROUND 3



Above right: Brunswick Juventus' Scott Patterson looks up to send over a cross against Sydney Olympic. Olympic's Stuart Johnston looks on as team mate Alex Zervas moves in to challenge.

Below right: Adelaide City's Willie McNally collects safely ahead of Marconi's David Lowe.

Above: Ian Wallace, scorer for Melbourne Croatia against St George.

Below: Tussle between Heidelberg's Alan Hunter and Apia's Rod Brown.



PICTURE MICHAEL SILVER



PICTURE CARMELO BAZZANO



PICTURE JOE JANKO



ROUND 3

Table:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney Croatia	3	3	0	0	13	3	6
South Melbourne	3	2	0	1	6	3	4
Apia Leichhardt	3	1	2	0	7	5	4
Marconi	3	2	0	1	5	3	4
Brunswick Juve	3	2	0	1	3	3	4
Melbourne Croatia	3	2	0	1	5	6	4
Adelaide City	3	1	1	1	7	5	3
Preston Makedonia	2	1	1	0	2	1	3
Heidelberg	3	1	1	1	6	6	3
Footscray	3	0	1	2	1	5	1
Sydney Olympic	2	0	0	2	1	5	0
Sunshine G/Cross	2	0	0	2	1	6	0
St George	3	0	0	3	1	7	0

TOTAL GOALS RD 3: 17

Top Scorers:

5 — Slater (S Cr).
4 — R. Brown (al).
3 — Arnold (scr), Villani (ac), Wade (sm).
2 — Jones (scr), Maxwell (m), McCulloch (m, 2 pens), Mullen (ac), Nastevski (m), Rumora (scr), Vidmar (ac), Wallace (mc), Yzendoorn (b.).
1 — Biskic (mc), Campbell (f), Dealey (h), Egan (sm), Farina (m), Fraser (h), Grbac (b), Hunter (h), Illoski (pm), Kalantzis (so), Paul Lewis (mc), McKinna (h), Moffitt (sg), Odzakovic (scr), Phillips (al), Postecoglou (sm), Richardson (sgc), Selemidis (h), Smith (pm), Stevenson (sm), Tsolakis (h), Ward (al), Zajmi (al).

12/4/87, Olympic Sports Field, Adelaide

ADELAIDE CITY	MARCONI
1 Willie McNALLY	22 Bob CATLIN
2 Paul SHILLABEER	2 Paul CARTER
3 Alex TOBIN	3 Robert WHEATLEY
4 Bugsy NYSKOHUS	4 Tony HENDERSON
5 Neville FLOUNDERS	5 Garry GOMEZ
6 Sergio MELTA	6 Craig MASON
7 Adrian SANTRAC	8 David LOWE
8 Charlie VILLANI	9 Frank FARINA
11 Aurelio VIDMAR	10 Zlatko NASTEVSKI
14 Andy TOLAND	11 Steve MAXWELL
15 Lemmy VATSILAS	17 Tom McCULLOCH
Zoran MATIC coach	Roberto VIERI coach

Scorers
27m Villani 1-0
40m Nastevski 1-1
59m Maxwell 1-2

Substitutions
46m Colin Millar for Flounders
72m Tim Mullen for Millar
74m Lee Sterrey for Nastevski
86m Geoff Gunning for Maxwell

Referee: Sam Zoumas (Vic)

Cautions: Gomez

Man of the Match: DAVID LOWE

Match Entertainment Value: 6

The Match: 1-0 Villani got on the end of a cross from the right by Mella to head past Catlin. 1-1 Farina put a through ball to Nastevski who hit it past McNally from a narrow angle. 1-2 Nastevski's freekick from the right headed in by Maxwell.

12/4/87, Olympic Park, Melbourne

BRUNSWICK JUVE	SYDNEY OLYMPIC
1 Pat MARRAMMA	1 Gary MEIER
2 Mehmet DURAKOVIC	2 Arthur SVINOS
3 Peter LEWIS	3 Spiro HANTZIS
4 Brian BROWN	4 Tony DAKOS
6 John YZENDOORN	5 David RATCLIFFE
7 Robert CULLEN	9 John KOSMINA
8 Fab INCANTALUPO	10 Stuart JOHNSTON
9 Sean LANE	11 Chris KALANTZIS
10 Scott PATTERSON	12 Terry PATALIS
11 Andrew ZINNI	14 Peter KOTAMANTOIS
12 Anthony GRBAC	16 Steve GEORGAKIS
Len McKENDRY coach	David RATCLIFFE coach

Scorers
45m Hunter 1-1
56m McKinna 2-1

Substitutions
56m Gary Ward for Kallholos

Referee: Don Campbell (SA)

Cautions: Yankos, Lucchesi, Bundalo

Sent off: Dealey 54m

Man of the Match: PETER TSOLAKIS

Match Entertainment Value: 8

The Match: 0-1 Phillips' cross to the far post found Rod Brown unmarked for a free header. 1-1 Marley's freekick was cleared as far as Hunter who hit a shot from the edge of the box. Dealey was sent off for a foul on Tradinnick but Heidelberg took the lead at 2-1 when McKinna ran onto a through ball from Tsolakis and chipped the ball over Pezzano. 2-2 Bertogna's cross was headed in by Ward.

Scorers
2m Grbac 0-1

Substitutions
46m Alex Zervas for Svinos
80m Emil Dragicevic for Hantzis
80m Joe Palatsides for Cullen

Referee: Dennis Voutsinas (Vic)

Man of the Match: TERRY PATALIS

Match Entertainment Value: 2

The Match: 1-0 Zinni's throw in was headed on by Patterson to the far post for Grbac to head past Meier. Patalis hit the crossbar after 30 minutes. In the 47th minute Marramma brought down Patalis but Kosmina hit the resultant penalty wide.

12/4/87, Schintler Reserve, Melbourne

FOOTSCRAY JUST	SYN MELBOURNE HELLAS
1 Zoran NIKITOVIC	1 Peter LAUMETS
2 Tyrone JAMES	2 Bobby RUSSELL
4 Tom KARIC	3 Angie POSTECOGLOU
5 Gary VAN EGMOND	4 Gary McDOWALL
7 Ernie TAPAI	5 Steve BLAIR
8 Alex RADIVOJEVIC	6 Paul WADE
9 Ossie LATIF	7 Danny CHAINIE
10 Vlado BOZINOVSKI	8 Richard MIRANDA
12 Suleiman CUROVIC	9 Charlie EGAN
14 Eddie CAMPBELL	10 Danny WRIGHT
15 Warren SPINK	11 Stuart STEVENSON
Drago SEKULARAC coach	Brian GARVEY coach

Scorers
45m Campbell 1-2
17m Stevenson 1-0
19m Wade 2-0

Substitutions
67m Mick Butak for Curovic
72m Carl Hallford for Stevenson
80m Ken Murphy for Wright

Referee: Richard Lorens (NSW)

Cautions: Radivojevic, Stevenson, Chainie

Man of the Match: EDDIE CAMPBELL

Match Entertainment Value: 8

The Match: 3-1 Stevenson got a slight header to Chainie's freekick to deflect the ball out of Nikitovic's reach. 0-2 Egan shrugged off a challenge from Karic and squared the ball from the byline to provide Wade with a simple tap-in. 1-2 Campbell started the move from midfield and ran into the area to receive Bozinovski's chip and fire a shot which Laumets got a hand to but couldn't stop.

12/4/87, Olympic Village, Melbourne

HEIDELBERG	APIA LEICHHARDT
1 Jeff OLVER	1 Tony PEZZANO
3 Steve MARLEY	3 Charlie YANKOS
4 Alan HUNTER	4 Arno BERTOIGNA
5 Chris KETSAKIDIS	5 Mark BROWN
7 Theo SELEMIIDIS	6 Alex BUNDALO
8 Claude LUCCHESI	7 Peter TREDINNICK
9 Laurie MCKINNA	8 Burim ZAJMI
10 Andy DEELEY	9 Rod BROWN
11 Peter TSOLAKIS	11 Terry BUTLER
12 John KANESOULIS	12 Hilton PHILLIPS
15 John ANASTASIADIS	17 Peter KATHOLOS
John MARGARITIS coach	Rale RASIC coach

Scorers
45m Hunter 1-1
56m McKinna 2-1

Substitutions
56m Gary Ward for Kallholos

Referee: Don Campbell (SA)

Cautions: Yankos, Lucchesi, Bundalo

Sent off: Dealey 54m

Man of the Match: PETER TSOLAKIS

Match Entertainment Value: 8

The Match: 0-1 Phillips' cross to the far post found Rod Brown unmarked for a free header. 1-1 Marley's freekick was cleared as far as Hunter who hit a shot from the edge of the box. Dealey was sent off for a foul on Tradinnick but Heidelberg took the lead at 2-1 when McKinna ran onto a through ball from Tsolakis and chipped the ball over Pezzano. 2-2 Bertogna's cross was headed in by Ward.

10/4/87, St George Stadium, Sydney

ST GEORGE	MELBOURNE CRADIA
1 Mike GIBSON	1 Mirko RUNJE
2 David GREEN	2 Alan DAVIDSON
4 Craig MOFFITT	3 Dave MCINTOSH
5 George KULSCAR	4 Robbie DUNN
6 Mike O'SHEA	5 George HANNAH
8 Ken SLAVESKI	6 Josip BISKIC
9 Andy KOCZKA	9 Alan SCOTT
10 Pedro RICOY	10 Ian WALLACE
14 Steve O'CONNOR	13 Jim CAMPBELL
17 Mike GRBEVSKI	14 Paul LEWIS
18 Kevin HAGAN	15 Jim McLean
Frank AROK coach	Terry HENNESSEY coach

Scorers
53m Biskic 0-1
58m Wallace 0-2

Substitutions
68m Stuart Porter for Slavski
68m Graeme Fletcher for Koczka

Referee: Jim Reeves (NSW)

Man of the Match: IAN WALLACE

Match Entertainment Value: 6

The Match: O'Connor and Hagan were cleared from Sydney City before the start. 0-1 O'Connor tackled Wallace but the loose ball went to Biskic who tucked it away. 0-2 Wallace rounded O'Shea before shooting past Gibson.

12/4/87, Croatian Sports Centre, Sydney

SYDNEY CROATIA	SUNSHINE G/CROSS
1 Anthony FRANKEN	1 Sean KEOGH
3 Graham JENNINGS	2 Chris TAYLOR
4 Ray VLIETSTRA	4 Shaun PARTON
5 Vedran ROZIC	5 Steve RICHARDSON
7 Robbie SLATER	7 Jeff FAULKNER
8 Wally SAVOR	8 Don MACLAREN
9 Graham ARNOLD	9 Carl GILDER
11 Zarko ODZAKOV	10 John MARKOVSKI
12 Mark JONES	11 Roger BAIN
14 Ante RUMORA	12 Paul TRIMBOLI
15 Maris LAMOND	14 Andrew MARTIN
Vedran ROZIC coach	John GARDINER coach

Scorers
15m Jones 1-0
25m Slater 2-0
87m Arnold 2-1

Substitutions
54m David Rezo for Lamond
66m Shane Clinch for Odzakovic
74m Noel Mitten for Parton

Referee: Gary Power (NSW)

Cautions: Richardson, Markovski

Sent off: Richardson 90m

Man of the Match: ROBBIE SLATER

Match Entertainment Value: 7

The Match: 1-0 Jones moved up for a free header from Odzakovic's corner. 2-0 a cross from Jennings, a flick on by Arnold and Slater shot home from eight metres. 2-1 Richardson shot through a maze of legs past the unsighted Franken. 3-1 Slater's shot rebounded off a defender to Arnold who then rounded the keeper and practically walked the ball in the net.





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